



Open Space and Trails Advisory Committee

Minutes
June 24, 2010

Meeting Summary

Members visited the Metzger Farm Open Space and reviewed the master plan. The committee returned to the City and County Building and reviewed a presentation on the history of Broomfield's open space and trails program. Mayor Pat Quinn and Pascale Fried, former Open Space and Trails Advisory Committee members provided additional information. There was a general discussion about the Broomfield Trail Adventure and what could be improved in future years. The 2010 Goals were approved. Members were informed about a potential joint meeting with the Parks and Advisory Committee to review the Coexistence with Wildlife Policy and a Colorado Cares Clean-up Day on July 31st at Metzger Farm Open Space with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Westminster and Broomfield Stake members.

Roll Call

Present:

Annette Cislo
Rob Bodine
William Olney
George Zack
James Haedrich
Dennis Thompson
Walt Spader, Mayor pro tem

Absent:

Patrick Tennyson
Pete Dunlaevy, Open Space and Trails Coordinator

Others in attendance:

Kristan Pritz, Director of Open Space and Trails
Kevin Standbridge, Assistant City and County Manager
Pat Quinn, Mayor, Mayor, City and County of Broomfield
Pascale Fried, former OSTAC member

Agenda Minutes

1. OSTAC Site Visit to Metzger Farm Open Space
OSTAC members visited the Metzger Farm Open Space and reviewed the master plan for the site.
2. Call to Order OSTAC Meeting – 7:15 p.m.

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Rob Bodine convened the OSTAC meeting at 7:15 p.m. in the Zang Spur meeting room.

3. Introduction of Interested Citizens
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4. Public Comment on Issues not on the Evenings Agenda by Interested Citizens
No comments.

5. Approve Minutes of April 22nd, 2010 OSTAC Meeting

OSTAC reviewed the minutes. Annette Cislo made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by George Zack. The minutes were approved 6-0.

6. Presentation and Discussion of Overview of Broomfield's Open Space and Trails Program

Kristan made a PowerPoint presentation outlining milestones in Broomfield's Open Space and Trails program. Mayor Pat Quinn and Pascale Fried, both former OSTAC members also added information for committee members. It was noted that the presentation should also include discussion of the Charter Amendment regarding the Change of Use of Open Space. The presentation will be updated to include this information. OSTAC also requested to review the top sites for open space acquisition, trail priorities, and a status report on the open space fund at future meetings. Staff will incorporate these items into upcoming OSTAC agendas.

7. Review the 2010 Broomfield Trail Adventure – Discuss Potential Improvements for 10th annual event on June 4th, 2011

Kristan explained that she and Pete wanted to hear feedback about how the Broomfield Trail Adventure can be improved.

-Rob noted that he heard from some people attending the event felt that it was too far away from the central area of Broomfield and that next year the event should be closer to the center of town.

-Jaan suggested that the ad for the event should definitely be in the paper the Thursday before the event.

-Rob and Jaan suggested making sure we have signage at the main roads connecting into the Trail Adventure site.

-Rob mentioned that some National Trails Day events include a trail construction project or a native landscaping project.

-Kristan agreed this was a great idea but it would probably be difficult for staff to do a trail construction/maintenance project the day of National Trails Day because of the many Trails Day activities. She will look into trying to organize a trail maintenance or construction volunteer event for the anniversary.

-Annette suggested that they do a nature program specific to the area that we are located in for the event.

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- George was unable to attend but has seen in Boulder that they do a trail project.
- Annette suggested that at the next meeting we review previous locations for the Trail Adventure and discuss where the 2011 event should be.
- Kristan noted that the Boy Scouts were interested in doing a badge and the pledge.
- Rob and Annette discussed taking pictures during the event for a contest or using disposable cameras.
- Annette suggested having a unique t-shirt.

8. Finalize 2010 List of Open Space and Trails Goals

George Zach made a motion to approve the Draft 2010 Goals. Jim Haedrich made a second to the motion. 6-0 approved.

9. Updates:

- The Co-Existence with Wildlife Policy will be reviewed at the July 24th OSTAC meeting; this may be a joint meeting with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
- Colorado Cares Clean-Up Day, July 31st at Metzger Farm Open Space, 8:00 a.m. by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Westminster Stake members

10. Other Topics as Desired by OSTAC

Rob mentioned the idea of working with the local photography group to take pictures of open space. Bill Olney is a member of the group and will coordinate with Kristan to see if their representative would like to come to an upcoming meeting. The idea of using the Metzger Farm Open Space for the photography shoot was suggested.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by Kristan Pritz

Approved by OSTAC on July 22, 2010.