

Town of Superior
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Notes
January 13, 2016, 6:30 PM, Town Hall

In Attendance: Patricia Dunham (Chair) Matt Morris, Ken Lish (Vice Chair), Shawn Samuelson, Joel White. Absent: Fiona Boger, Tracy Koller, Jill Kenney, Jim Heidell (excused).

Others in Attendance:

Trustee Liaison: Sandy Pennington

Town Staff Liaison: Allison James

1. Meeting called to order (6:30 p.m.)
2. Updates and Lookahead:
 - Outdoor Education. Town staff went over 2016 dates and program enhancements for outdoor education programming.
 - Superior Town Center – naturalized buffer area. Staff informed OSAC that the Developer will continue work on the FDP in an effort to restore the buffer. Staff quickly reviewed the Environmental Preconstruction Notice and will send the document to the group for review.
 - Coal Creek Corridor. Staff reviewed the SB40 process where, through the US 36 project, CDOT must replace impacted vegetation. The SB40 vegetation must remain in the creek corridor and will be planted in March in an area of the riparian habitat where it was determined that a water quality buffer is required between the trail and creek. The group discussed the recent creek clean-up work on 2nd Ave. in Original Town and is interested in learning more information about the project. Staff was asked to schedule a possible site visit to better understand the process of this project. Staff will gather information and work on scheduling a tour.
 - OSAC support letter for GOCO Grant. The Chair and Vice-Chair forwarded this letter of support with a Safe Routes to School Grant package.
3. Discussion and Recommendation – Leadership Election. The Committee voted and selected Ken Lish as Chair and Patricia Dunham as Vice-Chair by a unanimous vote.
4. Discussion – Agenda items for Q1 leadership meeting with PROSTAC. The group discussed several items and decided on a final list for discussion points as noted on the attached OSAC 2016 Work Plan in Quarter 1, Item Number 4.
5. Discussion and Recommendation – Finalize 2016 Work Plan. OSAC finalized the 2016 Work Plan and unanimously recommends that the Board consider approving the plan.
6. Discussion – Trail Construction. OSAC will discuss the path forward for expedited trail construction with the Board during the Joint Meeting on February 8th.
7. Recommendation and Discussion – Coal Creek Crossing Trail. Staff informed OSAC that if the east/west trail connection is removed, PROSTAC may recommend a different alignment for the north/south trail. OSAC discussed both trails and Shawn Samuelson brought to the groups attention the proximity of trail accessibility in the area at 3rd Ave Trailhead and also West Coal Creek Drive. OSAC unanimously made the following recommendation to the board about the future of the proposed trail on the Coal Creek Crossing development:

OSAC thinks the current trail system is adequate from both directions including access points at West Coal Creek Drive and 3rd Ave Trail head. It feels the east/west and north/south trails proposed at the Coal Creek Crossing development are unnecessary and does not support them. OSAC encourages the Developer to redirect any funding that would have been used to fund those trails to install low level vegetation along the south side of the development or in another manner that augments Superior's trail or park systems.

8. Discussion – Agenda for Joint Board Meeting. OSAC discussed possible agenda topics for the joint meeting with the Town Board on Monday, Feb 8th at 6 - 6:45 p.m. The group requested that staff ask the Board if the meeting could begin at 5:30 p.m. as it did the prior year. The topics to be discussed with the Board are:
 - Mission and Goals
 - Collaboration items for OSAC and PROSTAC
 - Expedited trail construction