

Town of Superior
Open Space Advisory Committee (OSAC)
Meeting Notes
December 10, 2014

Members of the Committee in attendance: Sherin Tedeschi (Chair), Patricia Dunham (Vice Chair), Jill Kenny, Ken Lish, Tracy Koller. Quorum present.

Absent: Shawn Samuelson, Mike Gheleta (all excused).

Others in attendance:

Town Board Liaison: Sandy Pennington (absent and excused).

Trustee Rita Dozal

Staff Liaison: Allison James, Parks, Recreation and Open Space Management Analyst

Meeting called to order: 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Items:

- 1. Discussion and Recommendation – Duties of OSAC Chair and Vice-Chair positions.** The Committee discussed the roles and responsibilities of the Chair and Vice-chair positions.
 - a. The Committee members unanimously recommend that the Committee elect two Vice-Chair positions in 2015 in order to provide adequate meeting coverage.
- 2. Discussion and Recommendation– 2015 Work Plan.** The Committee reviewed the updated 2015 Work Plan, then recommended the following motions unanimously:
 - a. The Committee recommends the 2015 Work Plan (attached).
 - b. The Committee recommends the Board consider adopting the clarified OSAC mission and goals as listed below:

Our Mission
To acquire and conserve natural open space lands and associated resources, to provide for appropriate public use and enjoyment, and to conduct relevant educational programs, all of which encourage sustainable resource management and reflect community values.

Our Goals

 - *To advise the Town Board regarding acquisition and protection of natural lands and buffers using the Open Space Fund.*
 - *To advocate for the conservation and restoration of natural resources for the benefit of the environment and for the education and enjoyment of current and future generations.*
 - *To provide public outreach, education and volunteer opportunities to increase awareness and appreciation of the Town of Superior's open space.*
 - *To provide quality recreational opportunities, such as creation and maintenance of trails, while minimizing the impact to open space resources.*
 - c. Once new OSAC mission and goals are Board approved the Committee members ask that Town staff update public information for the Committee.
 - d. The Committee requests a joint meeting in the first quarter with PROSTAC to discuss Parcels 1 & 2 in the Superior Town Center.
- 3. Adjourn (7:30 p.m.)**

Next Meeting:

*Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, January 14, 2015, 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall
(OSTAC meets on the second Wednesday of the month.)*

**Town of Superior
OSAC
2015 Work Plan**

Ongoing:

1. Continue to work with the Town Board and staff to acquire the Level 3 property.
2. Schedule annual joint meeting with Town Board, preferably first quarter.
3. Continue to pursue regional collaboration with other open space committees.
4. Continue to monitor the status and provide input on the Coal Creek Corridor during the development of the Superior Town Center.
5. Monitor progress of Shan-Shan transition.

First Quarter:

1. Begin discussions with appropriate entities regarding potential trail links to Highway 128.
2. Review Open Space Funding parameters.
3. Develop marketing strategy to publicize web-based trail mapping for Superior and regional trails.
4. Plan and schedule National Trails Day event, including education and outreach program.
5. Assess existing and potential trails and receive citizen input on current status and future opportunities in the Superior region and make recommendations to Board.
6. Determine public outreach program and annual education events.
7. Board review of new Committee mission and goals.

Second Quarter:

1. Develop budget recommendations for:
 - a. Maintenance of open space and trails.
 - b. Annual update of 5-year Trails Plan.
 - c. Educational opportunities for Committee and staff.
2. Host National Trails Day event on or near June 6, 2015.
3. Develop annual open space acquisition and trail project recommendations to submit to Boulder County – deadline for final submittal is typically in August.
4. Revisit previously identified open space acquisition priorities in conjunction with open space priorities for Boulder County.

Third Quarter:

1. Have a presence at the Colorado Open Space Association (COSA) Conference.
2. Monitor Hodgson Harris Reservoir regeneration and as appropriate review possible:
 - a. Installation of bird perches.
 - b. Development of viewing access.
3. Coordinate opening event with Boulder County.

Fourth Quarter:

1. Review Open Space Management Plan to incorporate any new acquisitions.
2. Begin discussions regarding 2016 Work Plan.
3. Discuss potential wildlife enhancement/encouragement opportunities:
 - a. Engage neighboring jurisdictions to promote enlarging wildlife corridors (focusing on diversification of species, including prong-horned antelope)
 - b. Raptors – perches & nests