

PLAN JEFFCO BOARD MINUTES

October 19, 2023

FUTURE DATES

October 20, 2023	Ralston Buttes visit. 9:45 am at OS office
November 2, 2023	OSAC in-office meeting scheduled for Nov. 2nd at 6 PM https://www.jeffco.us/Calendar.aspx?EID=9524
November 16, 2023	PJ Board Meeting, 6:30 PM HYBRID. PeerSpace 195 S. Union Blvd. #200; corner of Union and Cedar. Preferred parking is in front of the building and to the right.

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:34 pm by Vicky

2. ROLL CALL/QUORUM: Michelle Poollet, John Litz, Jean Tate, Fred Naess, Vicky Gits, Cathi Schramm, Lydia Andrews-Jones, Bette Seeland

3. VISITOR INTROS: None

4. MINUTES: Approved September 21, 2023 minutes. **Bette** will send Board member list to all Board members and September minutes package to Michelle.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT: No Activity. **John** will do this weekend.

6. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA/SEQUENCE: **John** will start the dues/voting letters mailing process.

7. REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS:

a. Membership - John: No changes

b. 10/19/2023 Hoby meeting - Michelle: Michelle and Peter met with Tom and Hillary.

1) Forest thinning: Some of the money is coming from County General Fund. and from grants. The Forest Health Project is a joint endeavor with Jeffco Parks and Open Space (Tom Hoby is the head of both, aka Director of Open Space & Parks). According to Tom Hoby, the Enabling Resolution, does not allow OS revenues to pay for it. https://planjeffco.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Jeffco-Open-Space-Resolution_original_1972.pdf

*Federal ARPA funds are being use for slash sites near Jeffco Tin Cup Ridge and at a proposed school site in S. Jeffco (exact location currently under negotiation).

2) Acquisitions: Land conservation projects. Trails partnership program winners to be announced at Nov. 2nd OSAC meeting. Mt. Tom and Goltra properties on first right of refusal list. Looking at parcels next to existing parks.

3) Shadow Mtn. State Land Board not interested in selling property, but open to lease. Property not adjacent to OS Park.

4) Clear Creek: videos on OS site. People like park and not upset with cost. Awarded a \$19 M grant from DRCOG. Applied for \$10 M from GOCO. (\$100 M for 3-3.5 miles). Talking it up as a legacy project. Denver Library has old pictures.

5) Recreation Adventures for People with Disabilities, RAD. JCOS is reviewing trails and clearing appropriate trails for devices - trails considered "usable" but not ADA accessible. Delivery of service will be by another organization. OS has two devices now and have applied for a grant for five additional devices.

6) Diversity: Have expanded staff. Patrollers 50/50 male/female. Minority groups applying for more permits.

7) Ore Cart bus in Golden. They were unfamiliar with service. Michelle suggested that PJ look into it and come up with a proposal for them.

8) Carol Karlin overlook: The plaque was removed because Tom Hoby said that JCOS no longer allows memorials in Open Space parks. **Vicky** will follow-up with Joe Mackey and possible newsletter article.

c. Newsletter - John/Vicky: Not planning an immediate newsletter. Vicky had several ideas for articles: Hiker only trails - user separation; Safety strategies, Consequences of Trail Courtesy Study; Evergreen Lake Trail; mountain pine beetle, Carol Karlin overlook.

d. Stewardship Academy - Cathy: Meeting to follow Board meeting. Crown Hill walk and talk. One other person.

e. Patroller report - Fred, Lydia: Female Park Rangers are No Nonsense people. Fred notices more off-leash dogs in mountain areas. Lots of poop not even bagged. Lydia: Talk to more people on horse patrols. Hiking saw 26 dogs, 1 off-leash and 4 poop bags.

f. Conifer report - Fred: No report

g. LWV - Bette: LWV supporting HH and II. Michelle recommended CPR site for good pros and cons.

h. OSAC - John: October - visited Tin Cup. Trail Grants announced at Nov. 2nd OSAC meeting

i. Carol Karlin Overlook - Vicky: See 7.b.8)

j. Web/Social Media report - Michelle: attached

k. President's Report - Michelle: attached

8. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

a. PLAN Jeffco representation on OSAC: Lydia sent in her application but has heard nothing. John said that there will be two new members announced, so the decision has been made. Suggested that Lydia call CC office to see what happened with her application.

b. Ralston Buttes visit - See above.

c. Courtesy Committee - Michelle: Committee going inactive, until new issues come up. **Vicky** will check out Common Ground, a group promoting multi-use and preventing conflict on trails.

d. Zoom & Hybrid meeting schedule - Vicky: Vicky sent schedule with agenda. November meeting a hybrid.

e. Chair Rotation: Need volunteers starting in February.

f. PLAN Jeffco Succession Plan: Michelle will start on a list of functions and a guide for each function.

f. Retreat - Cathi: Cathi will check with Peter and Don. Looking at a Saturday in January.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

10. OSAC OBSERVERS: OSAC in-office meeting scheduled for Nov. 2nd at 6 PM

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Michelle to attend remotely

11. NEXT PJ BOARD MEETING: November 16, 2023, 6:30 PM HYBRID. PeerSpace 195 S. Union Blvd. #200; corner of Union and Cedar. Preferred parking is in front of the building and to the right.

12. ADJOURN: 7:59 pm
Bette Seeland, Secretary