

## FINAL MINUTES

### PLAN JEFFCO BOARD – April 16, 2026 – Zoom only

Approved 5/21/2026

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82563580265?pwd=8V4GFHxn3KsYuEPAO1EOfAIM7bY5X1.1>

#### Upcoming Events:

**Next board meeting:** May 21 Hybrid at EdCor

See last page below for the complete schedule.

#### Open Space Advisory Committee:

<https://www.jeffco.us/4528/Past-Meeting-Videos-and-Documents>

Past Meeting Videos and Documents and Calendar: Scroll down to see Upcoming Meetings and *click on calendar icon to see more listings*.

General meetings and agendas: <https://www.jeffco.us/4408/meetings-and-agendas>

**2026:** Regular meeting dates to be announced

**Other meetings:** Aug 20 volunteer picnic/Aug. board meeting

**Members in attendance:** Jean Tate, Michelle Poollet, Vicky Gits, Cathi Schramm

Secretary: Vicky Gits

1. Call Meeting to Order. Chair – Jean Tate. Time -- 6:40 pm.
2. Visitor Introductions – none
3. Minutes of March 19, 2026
4. Additions to Agenda – none.
5. Discussion and action items
  - a. **Treasurer’s report** – Jean Tate. Minor changes only from previous months. Discussed confusion about multiple \$35 deposits and possible explanations.
  - b. **Review of Upcoming Months and Projects.** Michelle says Boettcher Mansion will not be doing new plantings this spring due to drought. Substantial fire mitigation project recently completed, but slash remains on site. There was a discussion of various incidents of federal funding cuts possibly affecting various conservation organizations. Executive director Aaron Roth mentioned in a letter to staff that while funding in some areas was precarious, parks and open space was more stable due to predictable revenue mostly from the sales tax plus the general fund and Conservation Trust funds. These developments are worth monitoring in coming months.
  - c. **Newsletter Review and Article Suggestions and Production.** Vicky suggested following up on status of project to move fairgrounds to Fehringer Ranch. Jean considering an article on the outlook for conservation funding in general.

- d. **Questions comments when we meet with Aaron Roth**, new director. No one has so far submitted questions for future meeting (postponed to June) with Aaron Roth. Each board member is invited to contribute at least five questions and send email to Vicky, who will compile a list from which we can make choices.
- e. **Foam noted in Clear Creek update**: none
- f. **Possible Stewardship Event** (delete or keep on agenda): Did not appear on the agenda

5. **Reports and Information Items.**

- a. **March OSAC meeting report.** No meeting. Group discussed difficulty of getting timely notification of upcoming OSAC meetings and possibly bringing it up with Roth in a meeting with him. This is a matter that concerns the general public and should be more transparent for their benefit as well as us, Michelle said.
- b. **Website Report – Michelle.** Michelle provided list of software used to support website. (See below)

The software that powers our website:

- BlueHost - domain hosting provider
  - NetworkSolutions - hosts/manages our URL ([PLANJeffco.org](http://PLANJeffco.org))
  - WordPress - software used to build/maintain the website
  - CleanTalk - anti-spam software
  - JetPack - website backup software managed by BlueHost
  - Duplicator - website backup & migration tool, managed by WebMaster
  - Site Quality Monitoring - performance software
  - Real Simple Security - security aka firewall software
- c. **LGL Report – Michelle.** Described in Michelle’s 4/16 email. Highlights include 50 percent newsletter opening rate for March issue, which is considered good.
  - d. **Proposal re Preservation Area Knowledge – Don.** No update.
  - e. **Property Search – Don and Vicky.** Vicky to get next volume from John Litz archive at Michelle’s house for review.
  - f. **Report on March and April action items.** Move to May

Adjournment: 7:45.

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## PLAN Jeffco Meeting Schedule 2026

Meeting place for hybrid format: EdCor, 195 S. Union Blvd. #200; corner of Union and Cedar next to Firehouse Subs. Preferred parking is in front of the building and to the right. You're welcome to bring your dinner with you for the in-person meetings.

<b>Date 2026</b>		
Jan. 15	Zoom	Peter
Feb. 19	Hybrid@EdCor	Jean with Michelle backup
March 19	Zoom	Jean with Michelle backup
April 16	Zoom	Jean with Michelle backup
May 21	Hybrid @ EdCor	Michelle (Cathi traveling)
June 18	Zoom	Cathi
July 16	Zoom	Cathi
August 20	Volunteer Picnic/combined board meeting.	Don
Sept. 17	Zoom	Don
Oct. 15	Zoom	Don
Nov. 19	Hybrid @ EdCor	Vicky
Dec. 17	TBD	Vicky
Jan. 21	TBD	Vicky