



**CITY OF PACIFICA
OPEN SPACE & PARKLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
May 17, 2017**

MINUTES

**With the exception of Michael Pacelli, all members were present this evening.
In addition, City Council Liaison Sue Digre and Staff Liaison Bonny O'Connor were also present.**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Jim Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:02.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Approval of Order of Agenda

Unanimously Approved

Approval of Minutes of April 19, 2017

After a small edit, minutes were unanimously approved by the members who had been present at the previous meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

Oral Communications: None

Committee Communications:

Ellen mentioned a bike survey on the Caltrans website, where citizens can give their opinion on where they'd like to see more bike trails and bike lanes.

Ron reported that he had attended a soil workshop through the Parks Academy, and he passed around a magazine that he had obtained at the event.

Jim shared some interesting information with the group, including a magazine about whales, that he got while on a recent tropical vacation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Preservation Award

Ron and JoAnne prepared the proclamation for 2017 award recipient Noel Blincoe, and passed the draft to the group for review. JoAnne noted that although the announcement was sent to the Pacifica Tribune in a timely fashion, it had not been included in the newspaper. Staff Liaison Bonny O'Connor said that the OSPAC report to City Council and the Preservation Award had been postponed to the June 12 City Council meeting, so there is now more time to get the announcement published. A vote was taken to approve the proclamation as written, and it was unanimously approved.

2. Update Committee Work Plan

Cattle Hill – Jim reported that he and Paul Jones have a plan worked out and will be submitting it to Van Ocampo.

Cattle Hill Parking – Jim is hopeful that the Portola Expedition celebration will be a great opportunity to create more permanent parking at Cattle Hill. Ron mentioned again his thoughts about naming the trail on Cattle Hill.

Preservation – Ron said that he saw a dead deer near Seabowl, and he took photos. He said that at some point, the dead animal had been removed. Jim noted that he tried to find a link on the Caltrans website to report dead animals, but could find nothing. Staff Liaison Bonny O'Connor reported that she had looked for sources of data on roadkill in Pacifica, and came across an app that tracks roadkill. She said that she reached out to the professor who created the app to see if she can use this information to send to Caltrans. She thinks this app might be a more viable source for information than Caltrans, and will try to get more information.

3. Trails and funding opportunities

The committee had no discussion on this topic.

4. Update on the status of *Trail of the Month: Hazelnut Trail* Tribune Article

Ellen prepared the article on the Hazelnut Trail, and had forwarded it to the Tribune for publication. The group decided that there will be no article written during June.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

5. Update by GGNRA/GGNPC

There was no GGNRA Liaison present this evening. Staff had reached out to Christine FitzGerald to ask if there was anything she had to share, and there was no reply. Julie said that regardless of their recent troubles, the GGNRA has been a wonderful partner to Pacifica, and she wants to acknowledge this and thank them.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

6. Development project updates

Staff Liaison Bonny O'Connor reminded the committee that Julie, JoAnne and Alison all have terms that are ending. However, she learned that the code indicates that they can still attend the committee meetings until their seat is filled. She told the group that the application deadline had been in April. She went on to confirm that the Annual Report and Preservation Award had been moved to June 12, and that the June OSPAC meeting is also when a new Chair and Vice Chair will be elected. Bonny then updated OSPAC on the 801 Fassler development, sharing that the environmental document is likely to be released to the public in late May or early June. In closing, she told the group that both the Marijuana Ordinance and Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Ordinance discussions are moving through Planning and City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.