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Open Space Advisory Board Minutes
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OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD
AMC, TRIPLE CREEK/COAL CREEK ARENA
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MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Victoria Samuel, Vice Chair Suzy Cress, Wayne Gallagher, Lee Lindholm, Brad Stratton, Tom Isaacson and Mark Christopher

MEMBERS ABSENT: Susan Bruce

STAFF PRESENT: Pat Schuler, Manager of Open Space and Natural Resources (OSNR); Joy Thompson, Senior Natural Resource Specialist in OSNR and Sarah Maier, Administrative Support.

VISITORS PRESENT: Bob Hunchberger

CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Victoria Samuel at 5:45 P.M.

I. WELCOME: Victoria Samuel welcomed Joy Thompson, Bob Hunchberger and the Open Space Board.

   • GUEST SPEAKERS: Joy Thompson led a nature walk through Morrison Nature Center.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Wayne Gallagher motioned to approve the agenda. Suzy Cress seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

   • June Minutes – Suzy Cress motioned to approve the June minutes. Lee Lindholm seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

IV. PROS MANAGEMENT REMARKS:

   a) Pat Schuler, OSNR Manager –

      i. Buckley Buffer Update: Pat provided an update on the land acquisitions for the Buckley Buffer.

      ii. Status of Action Plan: The Board discussed the status of the action plan and what has been completed so far in 2019.

V. REPORTS: None.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

   • Tom Isaacson provided training on the trail assessments during the nature walk.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS: None.

IX. ISSUES TO CITY COUNCIL: The group determined this month’s bullet points to be sent to their assigned City Council Members.

X. CHAIR’S REMARKS: None.

XI. GUEST COMMENTS: None

XII. MEMBER COMMENTS & DISCUSSION:

   a) Brad Stratton – Brad mentioned that he came across an article on the Colorado Public Radio website about how the city started Open Space that was very interesting.

   b) Wayne Gallagher – Wayne announced that the art show at Plains Conservation Center on June 14 was a success.
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c) **Suzy Cress** – Suzy mentioned that there was a great hatching of Woodhouse Toads at Sand Creek Park.

XIII. ADJOURN: Wayne Gallagher motioned to adjourn. Suzy Cress seconded the motion. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 6:24 P.M.

The next meeting will be on September 24 at 5:30 P.M at Pronghorn Natural Area.

Victoria Samuel, Chair

Sarah Maier, Recording Secretary