

Open Space Alliance Council Meeting
June 21, 2006

Meeting called to order by Vice President Thomas Slaback at 5:05 PM at
119 Grove Ave. Prescott, Arizona.

Present: Elisabeth Ruffner, Thomas Slaback, Jim Lawrence, Jack Wilson,
Suzanna McDougal, Sequoia Shannon, Ashley Fine, Elizabeth Majors and Ed
Parry.

AGENDA: Slaback presented the agenda. Lawrence added "OSA Internet"
to the agenda. Moved to accept. 2nd and accepted as amended.

ACTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Slaback presented. He noted
the approval of Tom Pettit's "Talk of the Town" article (circulated in the
meeting) which has been submitted for publishing by the Courier newspaper.
Also noted was their discussion of Citizens' Empowerment Alliance, Granite
Dells Stewardship, the \$800,000 city expenditure on a plan for Granite Dells
Point of Rocks. Discussion followed.

MINUTES OF MAY MEETING; Correction of references to Walt Anderson
as Member of Open Space Acquisition Committee rather than Chairman, and
time of adjournment to 6:45 PM vs. incorrect 7:45 PM made. Moved to
accept, 2nd and accepted as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Treasurer Fine. (attached) Moved to
accept, 2nd and accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE: "Keep Sedona Beautiful" petitions to support Red-Rock
National Scenic Area Designation received as correspondence, explained
discussed and distributed. Fine presented other items received as
correspondence. (Correspondence regarding Prescott Alternative
Transportation's request for exchange of mailing lists discussed with Lawrence
as keeper of our lists giving his input.) Moved to exchange lists as requested.
2nd, discussed, passed unan. Verde River Basin Partnership thanks to OSA
correspondence for \$100 donation and Arizona Heritage Alliance invitation to
donate received. Ruffner explained this organization and its goals.
Moved to donate \$100. 2nd, Passed unan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Open Space Acquisition Committee: Lawrence, due to inability to attend

recent meetings due to travel, has no official report to attach to these

minutes. In lieu of a written report, he was able to update the group with his comments on the published possible pending actions regarding PUSD and

city and the previous Nature Center Property. Discussion followed regarding

authorization for Open Space funds for maintenance of such space.

State Trust Lands: Ruffner reported that the petitions have been filed and

more than 200,000 to date (updated to 260,000) have been filed. This is

enough to make the ballot. Discussed.

Open Space Education/Acquisition Campaign: Pettit's previously covered

"Talk of the Town" article was circulated among the group.

Citizens' Empowerment Meeting: Slaback reported that a decision was

made to create a board of 9 members (8 voted upon by member orgs.) and one

member voted by individual members. He invited organizations to send their nominee's name in.

Also, methods of communication (including a website) were determined.

Earth Day Report: Majors gave a very comprehensive report on all aspects

(a summarized report will be attached). Discussion, with comments and

recommendations for next year followed.

Wildlife Symposium: Slaback reported on Pettit's email report on pending

July meeting. Majors reported she will help as a job description will be made

available.

Greenways: Fine updated the group on the pending "Moms" publicity on use

and dependency of Greenway Trails. Discussion followed. A Greenways

meeting with PAT is scheduled and a sub committee has been formed meet

every to weeks.

Verde River Partnership: Slaback reported on their meeting and

information regarding on endangered species in and on the Verde. Comments

followed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Meridith Marder Lawsuit: No New information.

City of Prescott \$800,000 Growth Consultant: Wilson reported that, in

regard to the consultant recommended to the city by Craig McConnell and

Tom Guice, he has read his book "From Sprawl to Smart Growth" and

formulated a synopsis of it. The formula developed in the book is, "How to

stop development legally" but Jack believes it only works if used from on a regional basis. He is investigating the possible motive and objectives for the future and development along 89.

OSA Web site: Lawrence presented the facts regarding continuing the website. Moved to pay the fee to continue. 2nd, passed unan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Announcements were given, along with amplifying comments,

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned, Same date and place at 6:45 PM.

Ed Parry
Recorder pro-tem

Announcement:

Fri July 14 6-8 PM at the Grove Studio, 119 Grove Ave., Prescott, the Sierra Club is hosting a fundraiser for the Grand Canyon Project. Roxane George will present an enlightening program emphasizing the current issues pertaining to the preservation of the Grand Canyon and its surrounding environs. Refreshments will be provided.

OSA

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Treasurer's Report

Reconciled Balance Forward \$3388.52

Income

Memberships and Related Contributions 35.00

\$3423.52

Expenses

Bank service fee 9.00

Verde River Basin Partnership 100.00

Post Office Box annual fee 50.00

Unreconciled Balance –general funds available \$3264.52

Badger P Mountain Fund:

YTD Interest 2006 - \$12.82

Balance – \$6936.56

Earth Day Account:

Balance - \$682.69– checking

Incoming:

Transfer from Savings \$200.00

Correction from Wells Fargo Account \$400.00

Deposit from Park \$100.00

Outgoing:

Paid to Juanita Hull Carlson for Art Car \$150.00

Balance - \$516.84 – savings

Wildlife Symposium:

Balance - \$1164.51