

MINUTES
OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING
November 23, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
Mead Town Hall
441 3rd Street, Mead, CO

Members Present: Chair Jeff Engelman, Linda Trahern, Jim Sarvadi, and Linda Martin.
Also in attendance was Dan Dean.

1. The Minutes of October 26, 2010 were approved upon a motion by Linda Martin and seconded by Linda Trahern.
2. Linda Trahern gave an update on the Open Space Easement acquisition celebration. It is scheduled for December 4th at 2 pm. Jeff will contact the Litzenbergers to make sure they are available. If not, we should consider rescheduling.
3. The committee discussed when the Town should pursue purchasing an open space park. The primary concern was whether we should wait to apply for a grant until a master plan was completed.
4. Linda Trahern could not find anyone to make signs. Jim Sarvadi has a contact for a sign maker in Denver. He will contact them to get an estimate to purchase 10 signs. The sign will be 24" x 18" and we will replace the "Mead – A Little Town with a Big Future" with "Open Space".
5. In her interviews with community leaders Linda Martin discussed the possibility of establishing a trail east of Town on property owned by Butch Sekich. The committee thought this was an excellent idea and recommended that the Town work with Butch Sekich to establish a trail on his property.
6. Dan has been working with Bonner Gilmore who represents the High Point development on a financial proposal for the developer. Mr. Gilmore had proposed language with respect to the utilization of impact funds collected by the Town. The proposal is to use "*Open Space Impact Fees: 60% reimbursement of Open Space Impact Fees for improvements within Open Space and or reimbursement for open space land values of open space dedicated over and above the required amount per code.*" On a motion by Linda Martin and seconded by Jim Sarvadi the committee recommended approval of the proposal with the clarification that qualifying improvements be over and above what is currently required by the Town's standards.
7. Because of the holidays the committee will skip a meeting in December. The next meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2011.
8. Adjournment was at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan J. Dean