

HELENA OPEN LANDS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NOTES

February 8, 2011

Room 326, City-County Building
5:45 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Arnold, Dan Bernhardt, Melissa Broch, Corey Baker
Staff: Brad Langsather. Andy Baur, PPLT

NOTES: The January minutes were approved as corrected showing Melissa Broch's arrival at 5:50 P.M.

DISCUSSION

The open house is set for 6:00 P.M. on March 16, place undetermined. Sarah will do outreach for publicity. Dan will go to HCC. Andy will do PPLT. Jane will be asked to notify the Parks Board. Members should arrive by 5:30 to help set up.

Andy hoped to have a trail work day list for the next meeting. PPLT is preparing a proposal for accreditation from its national organization.

REPORTS

Parks and Recreation Natural Resource Coordinator: 2010-11 work plan: Brad did not receive any further comments on the plan but hoped to get some at the open house. The HOLMAC agendas and minutes will be available on the website soon. It was suggested prior minutes should be noted as available at the parks office. Brad is still waiting to hear if the MCCC project will proceed. Housing the crew has presented some problems, so he hopes for the possibility of taking only half of their work period starting June 1 when Carroll College is closed and weather is better. It would allow him to get his seasonal crew oriented first. After discussion, he and Andy Baur decided they were not ready to put in for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant but will work on it for the next city budget cycle. The Old Chevy Trail area will serve as vehicle access to the treatment area on northwest Mount Helena. He hopes to get started March 21. Phase 2 of the east face of Mount Helena is complete and accepted. Phase 3 immediately above Reeder's Village has 3 of 8 acres done. The Beattie Street parcel archeological proposal is waiting for FEMA's approval. Brad found the trail naming policy, but it never made it to the commission. *[Side note: This policy is based a long-standing city commission adopted park naming policy. clk]*

Weeds: none

Trails: Trails mapping information is being collected to add to layers for the next map which should be ready some time in March.

Cultural Resource: none

Wildlife: The last Urban Wildlife Advisory Committee meeting did not have a quorum. *[Chief McGee reported trapping was scattered around town at the time of the UWAC meeting and that 15 animals had been removed. clk]*

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Forestry: Mary is working on meeting with the school district and Growing Friends for a tree planting event

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 8, 2011

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: workplan; historical information; items for website; video

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Recorder