

**TOWN OF DEWEY-HUMBOLDT
OSAT COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 9, 2012, 3:00 P.M.**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS COMMITTEE WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2012, AT TOWN HALL AT 2735 S. HIGHWAY 69, DEWEY-HUMBOLDT, ARIZONA. CHAIR SANDRA GOODWIN PRESIDED.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** The meeting was called to order at 3:02PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Made.
3. **ROLL CALL:** Executive Members Skip Gladue, Kevin Leonard (arrived at 3:06PM), Jason Allen, Associate Member Carl Marsee and Chair Sandra Goodwin present.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 4.1. **Minutes.** Minutes from the March 7, 2012 Regular OSAT meeting. Associate Member Carl Marsee made a motion to approve the minutes as written; Committee Member Skip Gladue seconded. It passed unanimously.
5. **REGULAR AGENDA – Unfinished Business.** Discussion and Possible Action on matters previously presented to the Committee.
 - 5.1. **A.P.S. Grant Application Status.** Chair Sandra Goodwin stated APS will let the Town know within 30 days of the application which is this upcoming Monday. The grant requested all the equipment and materials OSAT had on the list totaling \$22,589.18. Committee Member Marsee will confirm the prices since it has been about nine months since we started talking about this. Chair Goodwin stated APS is not likely to donate things like railroad ties and weed abatement fabric, though one thing missing from the grant application is the trees; she will follow up. Committee Member Kevin Leonard arrived at the meeting at 3:06PM.
 - 5.2. **Current Status of \$10,000 Committed by Council to Butte Street Park.** Chair Goodwin stated she was concerned that the \$10,000 that Council committed to this project, if not spent before the budget year ended, would be lost. She suggested taking out a purchase order to a gravel or rock company so the money is encumbered and on hold until OSAT purchases it. Ed Hanks, Public Works Supervisor, suggested not doing that right away; instead wait until closer to the end of the budget year to see how much money remains. Committee Member Jason Allen made a motion to look at the \$10,000 already allocated for the Butte Street Park at the June OSAT meeting to determine how to best encumber the remaining amount; Committee Member Skip Gladue seconded. It passed unanimously.
 - 5.3. **Current Status of Roadside Path Gradings.** Chair Goodwin asked Mr. Hanks if he has seen any possibilities where a path would benefit hikers or equestrians along the roads; he responded no. There was discussion about the roads they already looked at; no room, slopes, slippery, dangerous, mailboxes. Chair Goodwin asked staff to continue watching for possibilities as they do routine grading.
 - 5.4. **Current Status of Contact with Property Owners regarding possible Trail Head Accommodations.** Chair Goodwin has written on behalf of the committee to the property owners on Thorpe Road that leads up to the Brushy Wash trail. It is not an official contact from the Town, but a contact on behalf of the committee searching for potential trail access ideas to present to Town Council. The same letter will go to the property owner on Prescott Dells Road. She noted that the Council was interested in the Prescott Dells land for land-banking possibilities. Chair Goodwin asked the committee if they wanted the letters to go out

with everyone's signature or just the Chair's signature. The committee agreed that sending it from Chair Goodwin was appropriate.

6. REGULAR AGENDA – New Business - Discussion and Possible Action on matters not previously presented to the Committee.

6.1. Discussion of possible Trail Head on Martha Way. Chair Goodwin stated the committee wanted to know if the Town owns Martha Way as a right-of-way, and if so, could OSAT establish that as a trailhead leading into the 320 acres of BLM land and existing trails; OSAT would not have to get involved with BLM, just establish a trailhead and use it. The second option being Esther Lane to see if it provided any better options.

Mr. Hanks indicated the pink area on the map is BLM land. On Martha Way right before Rocky Hill Road there is a 50-foot wide strip that is a Town-owned right-of-way, everything else is privately owned. Mr. Hanks noted there is nothing on Martha Way that is contiguous with the Bureau of Land Management. There was discussion. Chair Goodwin stated the only access to BLM land is right off Henderson Road which will require grading as there is a big slope. Mr. Hanks confirmed that Henderson Road is the only place that the Town right-of-way intersects with BLM land. There was discussion about whether to take advantage of grants BLM offers to improve the land and make it usable. Chair Goodwin asked Mr. Hanks to provide a cost estimate for the grading required on Henderson Road. There was discussion about other contractors doing the work; pricing; quality. Mr. Hanks stated he would come up with an estimate for labor and what types of equipment would be necessary.

6.2. OSAT line item in Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget to include Completing the Butte Street Park and Grading of at least two Trail Heads. Chair Goodwin stated the grading of two trailheads is now down to just one trailhead off Henderson Road.

6.3. Discussion of potential Material and Equipment Contributions and Committee Members' role in Soliciting Donations. Chair Goodwin stated Associate Committee Member Carl Marsee will pursue the update on equipment from the Arizona Correctional Facilities. Mr. Hanks added the large boulders for parking spaces have been contributed, as well as railroad ties and three loads of material for leveling, with more by the end of the week as the ditches are cleaned.

Chair Goodwin stated that by Monday, April 16th the Town should hear from APS on the grant application. One bench donated by the Friends of the Library, dirt, boulders, railroad ties. Chair Goodwin stated Mayor Nolan indicated he had some possibilities for donations and will follow up with him as well as APS about the trees.

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. None.

8. ADJOURN. The meeting was adjourned at 3:44PM.

Sandra Goodwin, Chair

ATTEST:

Mandi Garfield, Administrative Assistant