

**CONEJO OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

**July 11, 2007
Civic Arts Plaza Board Room
2100 Thousand Oaks Boulevard**

SUMMARY MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE:** for Regular Meeting at 6:35 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Chair Skei, Vice-Chair Bill-de la Peña, Director Berger. Directors Fox and Jacobsen were absent.

Also present were:

CRPD General Manager Friedl
Assistant City Manager Pappas Diaz
Assistant City Attorney Giles
Associate Planner Austin
Administrative Secretary Maguire

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

A. Minutes of March 14, 2007 meeting.

Director Berger moved to approve minutes of March 14, 2007. Motion passed (3-0).

5. **ACTION ITEMS:**

A. 2007 Conejo Open Space Trails Advisory Committee (COSTAC) Appointments.

Associate Planner Austin announced the nominated members and alternates for COSTAC as recommended by Nomination Subcommittee.

Members:

Term:

Elizabeth Brown	Hiker	2007-2010
Mark Langton	Bicyclist	2007-2010
Nicole Tindell	Hiker	2007-2010

<u>Alternates:</u>		<u>Term:</u>
Nathan Lee	Bicyclist	2007-2008
Jerry Mitcham	Hiker	2007-2008

Speakers: None
Statements Cards: None

*****Director Jacobsen arrived at 6:37 p.m.*****

Director Berger moved to approve staff recommendation, Director Jacobsen seconded the motion. Motion passed (4-0).

Speakers: None
Statements Cards: None

- B. Resolution to Approve Application to National Park Service for Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program for Technical Assistance to Complete the Conejo Canyons Management Plan.

Associate Planner Austin described the National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) Program, which would provide up to 320 hours of staff assistance toward the Conejo Canyons Management Plan.

Director Bill-de la Peña moved to approve staff recommendation, Director Berger seconded the motion. Motion passed (4-0).

Speakers: None
Statements Cards: None

6. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Barbed Wire Fencing Status Report

Associate Planner Austin reported that there are approximately four miles of barbed wire fencing in the open space areas. Removal will be done in the next six months by the Rangers. The estimated cost of removal is \$5,000 and is already accounted for in the budget.

- B. New COSCA Brochure

Associate Planner Austin introduced the new COSCA brochure, which included the changes made pursuant to previous COSCA Board direction.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Conejo Open Space Trails Advisory Committee (COSTAC) Reports

- A. 2007 Trails Education Days, April 23rd – 27th, 2007

Elizabeth Brown, Thousand Oaks, COSTAC Chairperson, stated that all 20 Conejo Valley Unified School District elementary schools participated

in the event. Winners of the essay contest were recognized at City Council and Conejo Recreation and Park District Board meetings.

Chair Skei thanked the committee and all the volunteers for the time and effort put this event.

B. Spring Trail Work Day, March 24th, 2007

Elizabeth Brown, Thousand Oaks, COSTAC Chairperson, announced that this event was well attended and that volunteers finished the trail project started at the October Trail Work Day.

C. Wildwood and Lang Ranch Trailhead Outreaches
May 19th, 2007 & June 30th, 2007

Elizabeth Brown, Thousand Oaks, Chairperson of COSTAC, explained that these events are part of the Trailhead Outreach Program which is held at least quarterly and is a good way to reach trail users, answer questions and obtain community input on trail-related issues.

8. BOARDMEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Director Bill-de la Peña asked that staff look into claim on a postcard she received stating that solar panels are allowed in open space in Thousand Oaks. Associate Planner Austin informed the board that the postcard was referring to undeveloped land on private lots and that it didn't apply to open space owned by COSCA, City or CRPD.

Director Jacobsen requested status report at future COSCA Board meetings of notification, enforcement and resolution of encroachment cases.

9. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., September 12, 2007, Civic Arts Plaza Board Room.

Submitted by:



Rorie Skei, Chairperson

Date:

