ECIA Conservation Committee Minutes November 2, 2021

- 1. Call to Order at 7:02 pm
- 2. Appointment of Recording Secretary John Parker will take the minutes for the November meeting. Susan Will volunteered to take the minutes for the January meeting, Thom Bredenberg for February and Carol Beidleman for March.
- 3. Roll Call: Paul Butt (Chair), Carol Beidleman, Thom Bredenberg, John Parker, Susan Will. Quorum established.

Excused absences: Jürgen Lehmann

Present:

Jonathan Turkle (Board Liaison), Carol Sanguinetti (Alternate Liaison), Jocelyn Rizo (HOAMCO Zoom Assistant).

Visitors via Zoom: Jennifer Benson, 2 other attendees for the November meeting were not recorded.

- 4. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Thom Bredenberg, 2nd by Carol Beidleman. Motion carries.
- 5. Announcements:
- Meeting was streamed on Zoom with the following rules:
- Guests are muted until recognized; guests should type in name, full address and topics to speak during the Open Forum.
- Residents will be recognized on first come, first served basis.
- Private messaging during the meeting is disabled.
- An audio recording of the Zoom meeting will be made and will be available after the meeting upon request to conservationchair@gmail.com
- 6. Approval of October Minutes: Incorrect date was changed. Motion to approve as revised by Susan Will, 2nd by Thom Bredenberg. Motion carries.
- 7. Board Liaison Report: Jonathan Turkle is conducting research to identify all documents pertaining to the title for the ECIA Preserve. He sent out an inquiry regarding one such document identified to the CC. The land north of the western portion of the preserve, now owned by the Santa Fe Community Housing Trust, is covered by an agreement between ECIA and the original developer. The agreement pertains to the use of the development's well and the impacts that might result to the spring and wetland within the preserve. Jonathan is attempting to contact the current owners SF Community Housing Trust, to make sure they are aware of this agreement and discuss any questions they may have.

Jonathan has received approval from the Board to spend \$7,500 to produce a current survey of the Greenbelts during the next FY. This is in addition to \$1,500 already approved to complete survey of a portion of the Pueblo Canyon greenbelt.

8. HOAMCO report - Mike Rogers unable to attend

9. Open Forum - there were no guests registered for meeting. The committee discussed continuing issues with structures in the Greenbelts. Susan Will agreed to produce draft Vistas Article for committee to review concerning this problem. Jonathan Turkle emphasized potential liabilities such structures may present.

10. Project status updates:

- Willow Planting Pilot: Paul acknowledged Committee members and community volunteers who kept the Willows that were planted last spring near TH 2 & 3 alive through the heat and dry of the past late summer and fall. Materials used for the supplemental watering project have been retrieved from the field and are being stored at the ECIA facilities.
- The ECIA Board approved use of supplemental funding needed to execute a contract with heavy equipment contractors to complete remediation work associated with the ranch-era dam adjacent to the 401 trail. Work is scheduled to be completed by the end of November.

11. New business:

- The recent vandalism involving spraying graffiti on rock outcrops along the 201 Trail was discussed. How best to remove these markings and deter further insults were discussed. Carol S. mentioned that the Board has discussed the possibility of requiring Eldorado Residents to display stickers on their vehicles identifying them as residents. Committee members were not unanimous in their opposition to this proposal but the discussion was informative. Jonathan stated that he was developing a proposal for all ECIA open-space that would establish approved hours for use to begin 1 hour before sunrise and end an hour after sunset. Committee members all agreed this was a good proposal,
- The Tr 401 N "steps" area reroute corridor marking and planning work day is set for November 8th @ 9:30 AM. Actual workday to begin construction of this reroute will be on November 15th @ 9:30 AM.
- Date for workday to groom the first 3/4 mile of TR 404 will be deferred until next year.
- The Chair asked if there were a motion to cancel the December CC meeting as is our usual practice. Tom Bredenberg made the motion, John Parker seconded. December meeting canceled.

12. Old business:

- 405 SW trail maintenance workday on 10/16 was carried out, with equestrian assistance provided by Amelia, Martin Adair and their horses and was a big success. The 1/2 dozen or so volunteers were able to focus their energies on the trail work rather than hauling tools to this remote location.
- Workday to treat Tamarisk in 2XX wetlands restoration area and motion to use herbicidal vinegar (~10%) now slated to occur in November.
- 13. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Susan Will. John Parker, second. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.