



Open Space Trust Fund Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 15, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Bennion Gardner calls the meeting to order.

Roll Call

OPEN SPACE BOARD MEMBERS

Name	District	Attendance
Vacant	1	
Bennion Gardner	2	x
Vacant	3	
Kael Weston	4	Absent
Carrie Butler	5	Absent
Vacant	6	
Angela Gong	At-Large	x
Deborah Gatrell	At-Large	x
Joshua Landvatter	At-Large	x

SALT LAKE COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES

Name	Attendance
Chris Otto	x
Julie Peck-Dabling	x
Derrick Sorensen	x
David Johnson	x
Brent Lalusa	x
Heidi Shegrud	x
Danielle Calacino	x
Clint Benson	x
Lisa O'Bryan	x

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments are made.



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Approval of Minutes – Approval of October 16 Open Space meeting minutes.

Motion: Angelo Gong

Second: Bennion Gardner

All Approved

Property Acquisition Vote

- The board discussed a motion to recommend the purchase of a property discussed in a prior closed session.
- There was clarification on whether the parcel needed to be identified publicly. Legal counsel (David Johnson) confirmed it should not be disclosed to preserve negotiation terms.
- **Motion:** Bennion Gardner moved to recommend the purchase of the discussed property.
- **Second:** Deborah Gatrell

Property Cleanup Discussion

- Deborah Gatrell inquired about organizing a cleanup of the newly acquired property.
- Bennion Gardner suggested waiting until the acquisition is finalized to avoid legal or procedural issues.
- Julie Peck-Dabbling supported waiting until ownership is official.

Future Applications & Meetings

- Julie mentioned additional applications are expected, some of which may be public.
- Deborah asked about notice for future meetings.
- Julie assured that future meetings would be more regular and not as rushed as this one.

Board Integration Discussion

- Chris Otto shared plans to integrate the Open Space Board with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to improve consistency and engagement.
- A decision on this merger is expected within two months.
- Deborah expressed concern about the proposed meeting time (2nd Wednesday at 11:30 AM) due to her teaching schedule.
- Julie and others acknowledged the concern and discussed potential flexibility or virtual options, though Deborah noted her lunch period would not allow participation.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn made by Bennion Gardner.
- Meeting adjourned with thanks expressed to all members for their quick coordination and participation.