

Rochester Hills

Minutes - Draft

Green Space Advisory Board

N Chairperson Dahlvin Peterson, Vice Chairperson Darlene Janulis Members: Peter Beightol, Tim Gauthier, Jayson Graves, Philip Leach, Heidi Morris, Julia Rodriguez, Terry Stephens Council Member Susan Bowyer Ph.D.

Youth Representatives: Mallory Boyd, Ramona Johnson and Audrey Weber

Tuesday, June 26, 2018	6:00 PM	1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Peterson called the Green Space Advisory Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Peter Beightol, Tim Gauthier, Jayson Graves, Heidi Morris, Darlene Janulis, Philip Leach, Dahlvin Peterson, Julia Rodriguez and Terry Stephens

Non-Voting Members Present: Matt Einheuser

Non-Voting Members Absent: Susan M. Bowyer Ph.D, Ken Elwert, Lance DeVoe, Mallory Boyd, Ramona Johnson and Audrey Weber

Committee Members Susan M. Bowyer Ph.D, Ken Elwert, and Lance DeVoe provided previous notice that they would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2018-0273 Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting - April 24, 2018

Attachments: 04-24-18 Meeting Minutes - Draft.pdf 04-24-18 Minutes Resolution.pdf

A motion was made by Gauthier, seconded by Beightol, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 9 - Beightol, Gauthier, Graves, Morris, Janulis, Leach, Peterson, Rodriguez and Stephens

STAFF REPORT

Matt Einheuser gave an update on Niswander's progress in May and June. They spent time at Harding in the prairie, Garlic Mustard grew aggressively this year. Niswander sprayed some areas in Harding and White. Member Janulis asked about the possibility of a controlled burn for Garlic Mustard. Discussion

1000 Rochester Hills Dr Rochester Hills, MI 48309 (248) 656-4600 Home Page: www.rochesterhills.org ensued. Niswander will be planting at the Ruby property in the fall. The volunteer stewardship program at Harding did not have a great turnout. Only 3 people showed up.

Einheuser worked with member Morris on promoting Second Saturday Hikes. Member Janulis thanked Einheuser and administration for coverage of Second Saturday Hikes.

Einheuser gave an update of the bylaws, council has approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Member Rodriguez informed the committee that she is moving and will be stepping down from the committee in August.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2018-0074 Discovery Hike 2018

Member Graves gave a recap of the Discovery Hike. Three people met for the breakfast. The weather was very nice this year. There were 92 participants, 4 dogs. There were 7 winners for the raffle. People really enjoyed seeing the turtles in the pond. Members gave ideas for next year. Ideas included pens, bug spray, a cooler stocked with water, first aid kit. Discussion ensued regarding a weekend for next year. The general consensus was to keep the same weekend, May 4, 2019. Discussion ensued regarding which property to hold the event at.

Discussed

2018-0122 Draft Green Space Ordinance

Einheuser said that it is still under review with the lawyer.

Discussed

2018-0162 Discussion regarding property south of Tienken

Einheuser mentioned that we have moved forward with asking the mayor to reach out.

Discussed

2018-0120 Second Saturday Green Space Hikes

Member Morris said an hour was a good amount of time for the hike. Discussed using the OPC shuttle to ferry people to the green spaces from city hall.

Discussed

NEW BUSINESS

2018-0274 Clinton River - Cutoff channel at Yates

Matt Einheuser brought up a channel that has naturally formed near Yates. Problems include the cider mill losing power and lack of barrier to steelheads. The DNR want to manage it but the US Fish and Wildlife Service want to plug it. The channel is located on private property.

Discussion ensued.

General concensus is that under the millage, GSAB funds couldn't be used for this project.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Member Beightol brought up seeing Green Space properties from the river via kayak or canoe. There is not much water in the river currently. Discussion ensued. The general consensus was to postpone until spring.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Chairperson Peterson announced that the next Green Space Advisory Board meeting would be held on July 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Megan Stencel.

Minutes were approved as presented/amended at the _____, 2018 Regular Green Space Advisory Board Meeting.

Dahlvin Peterson, Chairperson