

Rochester Hills

Minutes - Final

Green Space Advisory Board

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Chairperson Darlene Janulis, Vice Chairperson Jayson Graves Members: Peter Beightol, Joe Bruce, Tim Gauthier, Philip Leach, Andrea Merritt, Heidi Morris, Terry Stephens Council Member Susan Bowyer Ph.D. Youth Representatives: Hannah Bennett, Aman Dosanjh and Aden Smith

Tuesday, June 23, 2020	6:00 PM	1000 Rochester Hills Drive
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CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Janulis called the Green Space Advisory Board meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

ROLL CALL

- Present 8 Peter Beightol, Jayson Graves, Heidi Morris, Darlene Janulis, Philip Leach, Terry Stephens, Joe Bruce and Andrea Merritt
- Absent 1 Tim Gauthier

Non-Voting members present: Susan Bowyer, Ph.D., Matt Einheuser, Lance DeVoe.

Non-Voting members absent: Ken Elwert, Hannah Bennett, Aman Disanjh and Aden Smith.

Committee Members Tim Gauthier and Ken Elwert provided previous notice that they would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2020-0241 Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting - May 26, 2020

<u>Attachments:</u> 05-26-20 Minutes Resolution.pdf 05-26-20 Meeting Minutes - Final.pdf

Approved as Presented

Aye 8 - Beightol, Graves, Morris, Janulis, Leach, Stephens, Bruce and Merritt

Absent 1 - Gauthier

Resolved, that the Minutes of the Green Space Advisory Board Meeting held on May 26, 2020 be approved as presented.

STAFF REPORT

Matt Einhauser said Cardno has been at Innovation Hills Green Space treating woody re-sprouts, new growth from previously treated spots. They started to treat an area with reed canary grass in June. Einheuser is working with Cardno on phragmites throughout the city and regionally.

Einhauser gave an update on the Yates bypass channel. There is no water going over the dam, the bypass has diverted the water completely. Various local, state and national agencies are working together to fix it. Einheuser asked the committee to thing about a restoration project for the future. The United Stated Fish and Wildlife Service is involved because they are concerned about Sea Lamprey control. Discussion ensued.

Chairperson Janulis requested that Cardno take photos, before and after of work to show progress. Einheuser mentioned that he and Lance DeVoe could take monthly photos to so progressions over time.

Member Leach mentioned that he wanted Green Space signage installed and visible across the river from the kayak landing at Innovation Hills.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2018-0120 Second Saturday Green Space Hikes

Member Morris wasn't sure if we could continue the hikes. Matt Einheuser said that with the current state guidelines it is possible, they would have to maintain social distancing and/or wear masks. Chairperson Janulis suggested starting in August. Morris suggested doing August, September and October hikes. Einheuser will work with Morris to create a schedule.

Discussed

2019-0140 Green Space Property Fact Sheets

Member Stephens will be meeting with Members Morris, Beightol and Gauthier to work on the fact sheets. Beightol suggested a booklet that would include background information, history, a map, features, native species and stewardship plans. He suggested that it would be a template and each Green Space could be plugged into the template. Matt Einheuser mentioned that it needs to be run through the department as well as the Mayor's office. Discussion ensued.

Discussed

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at 6:00 pm via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Janulis adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Megan Stencel.

Minutes were approved as presented at the July 28, 2020 Regular Green Space Advisory Board Meeting.

Darlene Janulis, Chairperson