



Rochester Hills

Minutes - Draft

Green Space Advisory Board

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Chairperson Gerald Carvey

Members: Thomas Dohr, Tim Gauthier, Richard Graham, Jayson Graves, Lynn Loeb, Dahlvin Peterson, Samantha Phillips, Beth Tilove

Council Member Adam Kochenderfer

Youth Representatives: Pranita Balusu, Laisa Magucha, Michelle Thorpe

Tuesday, December 13, 2011

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Carvey called the Green Space Advisory Board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Gerald Carvey, Tim Gauthier, Lynn Loeb, Beth Tilove, Richard Graham and Jayson Graves

Absent 3 - Dahlvin Peterson, Samantha Phillips and Thomas Dohr

Non-Voting Members Present: Kurt Dawson, Mike Hartner, Adam Kochenderfer, Roger Moore, Laisa Magucha and Michelle Thorpe

Non-Voting Members Absent: Pranita Balusu

Others Present: None

Committee Members Dohr, Peterson, and Phillips provided previous notice they would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2011-0539 Regular Meeting - November 15, 2011

Attachments: [11-15-11 GSAB Draft Minutes.pdf](#)
[Resolution.pdf](#)

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

Aye 6 - Carvey, Gauthier, Loeb, Tilove, Graham and Graves

Absent 3 - Peterson, Phillips and Dohr

Resolved that the Green Space Advisory Board hereby approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2011 as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board welcomed new member Jayson Graves.

Member Graves will serve on the Communication, Promotion & Education sub-committee. Council representative Kochenderfer will serve on the Administrative & Strategic sub-committee.

Chairperson Carvey distributed an updated internal contact list.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Carvey acknowledged there were no members of the public present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2007-0753 Update regarding any nominated properties

Mr. Mike Hartner, Director of Parks & Forestry, noted there were no new nominations. He gave a brief update for new members regarding the "319" conservation easement grant for the development rights to the original Mead Road property. The City could not reach an agreement with the parcel owner, therefore, it will not be moving forward. The \$500,000 grant that was awarded from the Department of Natural Resources & Environment (DNRE) Trust Fund for the Sheldon and Mead Road property had to be declined by the City because the owner decided to withdraw from green space consideration. However, the owner is donating approximately 18 acres of wetlands on the parcel for green space preservation.

Member Gauthier distributed an updated property nominations and acquisition log and gave a brief overview of the status for each parcel to bring new members up-to-date.

Discussed

2008-0130 GSAB Administrative & Strategic Sub-Committee

Mr. Kurt Dawson, City Assessor/Treasurer, distributed updated information on the Green Space Millage Fund which was originally approved by the voters on September 13, 2005 for 10 years. Revenues collected from 2006 through 2011 were approximately 6,330,855. The fund balance as of November 30, 2011 is \$4,229,205.75. Land acquisitions have totaled approximately \$2,035,000 with related expenses of approximately \$66,650.

About \$3,345,457 is estimated to be collected for budget years 2012 through 2015. It was noted that the millage rate dropped from .3000 to .2972 after the first year due to the Headlee rollback. The millage has stayed at .2972 due to declining property values.

The Board conveyed their appreciation for the financial update.

Discussed

2008-0131 GSAB Communication, Promotion & Education Sub-Committee

Green Space Boundary Signs

Member Beth Tilove and Mr. Mike Hartner, Director of Parks & Forestry gave an update regarding the green space boundary signs. They will be ordered in January 2012 with a targeted installation date of early spring. The markers will be a brown double-sided sign with orange and black letters. They will be placed wherever there is a turn in the green space property boundary and wherever a green space parcel borders private property or a trailway or public road. The cost is estimated at \$2,600. The committee will draft a notification letter to be sent to neighboring residents informing them of the installation before it takes place.

Second Annual Discovery Hike

Member Tilove proposed that Saturday, April 21, 2012 be the Second Annual Discovery Hike. The Board concurred. It was suggested to incorporate the spring stewardship project into the hike to promote education to the public. The event details will be discussed at the January meeting.

Discussed

2008-0132 GSAB Property Nominations & Acquisitions Sub-Committee

Member Gauthier gave a report previously on the agenda under 2007-0753 - Update regarding any nominated properties.

Discussed

2008-0133 GSAB Stewardship & Advocacy Sub-Committee

Chairperson Carvey spoke on behalf of Member Peterson who was unable to attend. The committee continues to research funding prospects for stewardship as well as discuss a spring stewardship project.

Discussed

NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None at this time.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- Tuesday, January 24, 2012, 7:00 p.m. The agenda will include the appointments of the 2012 chairperson, vice chairperson, note taker, and setting the meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Carvey adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Denise Mertz.

Minutes were approved as presented/amended at the _____ 2012 Regular Green Space Advisory Board Meeting.

Gerald Carvey, Chairperson