



# Rochester Hills

## Minutes - Draft

### Green Space Advisory Board

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*Chairperson Dahlvin Peterson, Vice Chairperson Darlene Janulis*  
*Members: Peter Beightol, Gerald Carvey, Tim Gauthier, Jayson Graves, Heidi Morris, Julia Rodriguez, Terry Stephens*  
*Council Member Susan Bowyer Ph.D.*  
*Youth Representatives: Mallory Boyd, Ramona Johnson and Audrey Weber*

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Tuesday, October 24, 2017

6:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

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## CALL TO ORDER

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

## ROLL CALL

**Present** 7 - Peter Beightol, Tim Gauthier, Jayson Graves, Heidi Morris, Darlene Janulis, Dahlvin Peterson and Terry Stephens

**Absent** 2 - Gerald Carvey and Julia Rodriguez

*Non-Voting Members Present: Susan M. Bowyer Ph.D., Lance DeVoe, Ken Elwert.*

*Non-Voting Members Absent: Laurie Taylor, Mallory Boyd and Ramona Johnson.*

*Others Present: Lauren Oxlade, Sandy Hicks.*

*Committee Members Gerald Carvey, Julia Rodriguez, Laurie Taylor and Mallory Boyd provided previous notice that they would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.*

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[2017-0511](#) Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting - September 26, 2017

**Attachments:** [Meeting Minutes 9-26-17 - Final.pdf](#)  
[Meeting Minutes 9-26-17 Resolution.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Janulis, seconded by Stephens, that this matter be Approved as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Beightol, Gauthier, Graves, Morris, Janulis, Peterson and Stephens

**Absent** 2 - Carvey and Rodriguez

Resolved, that the Minutes of the September 26, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Green Space Advisory Board are approved as amended.

## STAFF REPORT

*Ken Elwert reported that the demolition of the house on the Ruby property went to consent. It was approved by council on October 23, 2017. It will be completed this fall, but the date has not been set.*

*Lance DeVoe will be meeting Niswander to discuss the 2018 plan. He will bring back a report to the next meeting. Darlene asked if Ruby property would be included. DeVoe will include Ruby in discussion with Niswander.*

## COMMUNICATIONS

*None*

## PUBLIC COMMENT

*None*

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[2017-0441](#) Review of Stewardship Project Fiscal Analysis

**Attachments:** [Harding Spreadsheets.pdf](#)  
[Other Parks Spreadsheets.pdf](#)  
[White Spreadsheets.pdf](#)

*Ken Elwert presented an updated report. It shows the 3 phases, initial cost, ongoing cost and maintenance cost. He explained the spreadsheet in detail. Discussion ensued. Member Graves asked about estimated maintenance cost column. Elwert discussed maintenance costs. Elwert asked how often does the Board want to see the updated spreadsheet. The general consensus is 2 times per year.*

[2017-0442](#) Green Space Property Signage Discussion

*Dr. Bowyer presented samples of the signs.*

*Ken Elwert mentioned that there is an employee in DPS that is very good with signs. He suggested going with a basic aluminum sign with green background and white writing. Signs can create liability. Parks staff will need to check the properties on a regular basis which can potentially be a problem. The signage will require additional rules and regulation signs, but administration will have the final say. Discussion ensued.*

*Lance DeVoe will bring a sample to the next meeting.*

[2017-0512](#) Overview and Discussion of Ruby property walk

*Member Morris said she really enjoyed the walkthrough, it was her first. It is a beautiful property. It really lends itself to some simple walking paths. She suggested a walking path through the tree, which was one of her favorite parts of the property. She suggested that once the house is removed there should be a bench installed in the clearing, she referred to it as "serenity in the city."*

*Lance DeVoe suggested a low prairie in the area where the house is currently. It would be a good area for some wildflowers and grasses.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

*Members discussed having a winter walk. They decided on December 9th at 10 am. They will be meeting at City Hall and walking the White Property.*

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

*None*

## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

*Chairperson Peterson announced that the next Green Space Advisory Board meeting would be held on November 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.*

*Minutes prepared by Megan Stencil.*

*Minutes were approved as presented/amended at the \_\_\_\_\_ 2017 Regular Green Space Advisory Board Meeting.*

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*Dahlvin Peterson, Chairperson*