



Rochester Hills Minutes - Draft

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Green Space Advisory Board

Chairperson William Windscheif

*Members: Gerald Carvey, Laura Douglas, Tim Gauthier, Lynn Loeb, Lorraine McGoldrick,
Dahlvin Peterson, Linda Raschke, Beth Tilove*

Council Member Nathan Klomp

Youth Representatives: Aly Difilippo, Sresht Rengesh, Michelle Thorpe

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Windscheif called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Gerald Carvey, Tim Gauthier, William Windscheif, Lynn Loeb, Laura Douglas and Beth Tilove

Absent 3 - Lorraine McGoldrick, Dahlvin Peterson and Linda Raschke

Non-Voting Members Present: Kurt Dawson, Mike Hartner, Nathan Klomp, Sresht Rengesh and Michelle Thorpe

Non-Voting Members Absent: Aly Difilippo and Roger Moore

Others Present: None

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2010-0175 Regular Meeting - March 23, 2010

Attachments: [03-23-10 GSAB Draft Minutes.pdf](#)
[Resolution.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Carvey, seconded by Douglas, that this matter be Approved. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye 6 - Carvey, Gauthier, Windscheif, Loeb, Douglas and Tilove

Absent 3 - McGoldrick, Peterson and Raschke

Resolved that the Green Space Advisory Board approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 23, 2010 as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chairperson Windscheif noted that he presented the proclamation to former member, Paul Funk, honoring his service with GSAB and the City. Mr. Funk appreciated the recognition.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Windscheif noted that there were no members of the public present. Youth Council member, Sresht Rengesh, a junior at Avondale High School, introduced himself.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2008-0130 GSAB Administrative & Strategic Sub-Committee

Chairperson Windscheif reported having conversations with Ms. Tara Beatty, chief assistant to Mayor Barnett, regarding grant applications for stewardship. Ms. Beatty is researching grant possibilities and suggested an updated stewardship scope and parameters would help to narrow the search.

This matter was Discussed

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

No report at this time.

This matter was Discussed

2008-0132 GSAB Property Nominations & Acquisitions Sub-Committee

No report at this time.

This matter was Discussed

2008-0133 GSAB Stewardship & Advocacy Sub-Committee

Member Carvey and Mr. Mike Hartner, Director of Parks & Forestry, reported that Niswander Environmental, LLC, was awarded the contract to perform a baseline assessment of the currently owned four (4) green space properties. There were nine proposals received. Niswander's bid was for approximately \$8,000. The assessments, which should be completed by June 30, 2010, will include the physical and natural features of each parcel, as well as a floristic quality assessment, which is a tool that ranks floral species according to a state-wide ranking system.

The Green Space Millage may be used to fund a baseline assessment of physical features of the properties. The baseline assessments will assist GSAB in developing a future stewardship management plan which will support grant requests.

This matter was Discussed

2007-0753 Update regarding any nominated properties

Mr. Hartner reported that the project agreement for the Sheldon-Mead property acquisition has been forwarded to City Council for acceptance on June 7, 2010. The grant cycle is moving four to five months faster than in previous years. There will be a marker on the property noting that the parcel was acquired with a grant from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF). After the project agreement has been executed, the Administration will proceed with a phase one environmental liability assessment, title search, and obtain two appraisals to begin negotiating a purchase price. The grant money will be given to the City after the property is acquired.

This matter was Discussed

2009-0336 Discussion regarding GSAB logo

Member Tilove reported the GSAB logo contest has been cancelled due to a city-wide "branding" project being developed by another committee.

The Board discussed the need to incorporate and promote green space properties, build awareness of green space and confidence in stewardship. The timetable for the branding project is unknown at this time.

Chairperson Windscheif will contact Mayor Barnett to volunteer to be on the branding project committee and represent GSAB.

This matter was Discussed

NEW BUSINESS**2010-0232** Discussion regarding Rochester Road parcels (2)

The Board discussed the two newly nominated parcels located on the east side of Rochester Road by Tree Top Lane. Parcel No. 15-02-102-023 is 4.59 acres and parcel No. 15-02-177-001 is 26.03 acres.

Mr. Kurt Dawson, Assessor/Treasurer, reported that the parcels were purchased in August, 2003 for \$750,000 by T.J. Realvest, LLC, Rochester, Michigan. Currently, the parcels have a assessed value of \$550,000, which is one year behind the actual market value. He also noted market values continue to decrease.

Mr. Hartner noted that the owners had planned to develop 12 to 15 condominiums on the parcels. The owners are in good standing with the City. The parcels contain steep slopes and wetlands. The owners gave permission for GSAB to walk the parcels. The private road, Tree Top Lane, would remain with the property should GSAB recommend acquisition.

The Board consensus was to schedule a site visit for June 7 or June 8 at 6 p.m. An appropriate public notice for the site visit will be posted by staff.

This matter was Discussed

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that the GSAB staggered terms recommendation will be addressed at the December City Council meeting, which is when Council makes committee appointments for 2011.

Mr. Hartner mentioned that the 2010 Paddlepalooza event will be held on Saturday, June 5, 2010. It is a canoe and kayak race on the Clinton River from Auburn Hills to River Crest Banquet Hall in Rochester Hills. Also, the Environmental Education Center will host a summer camp on July 7, 2010 to explore the river from the River Crest Banquet Hall to Bloomer Park.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- Tuesday, June 22, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Windscheif adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Denise Mertz.

Minutes were approved as presented/amended at the _____ 2010 Regular Green Space Advisory Board Meeting.

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William Windscheif, Chairperson*