



Rochester Hills Minutes - Draft

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Green Space Advisory Board

Chairperson William Windscheif, Vice Chairperson Paul Funk

*Members: Gerald Carvey, Tim Gauthier, Lynn Loeb, Lorraine McGoldrick, Dahlvin Peterson,
Jack Robinson, Pamela Wallace
Council Member Ravi Yalamanchi*

Youth Representatives: Molly Graham, Leo Oriet, Orfeh Vahabzadeh

Staff Members: Kurt Dawson, Michael Hartner, Roger Moore

Tuesday, April 22, 2008

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Windscheif called the Green Space Advisory Board meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Paul Funk, Gerald Carvey, Tim Gauthier, Lorraine McGoldrick, Jack Robinson, Pamela Wallace, William Windscheif, Lynn Loeb and Dahlvin Peterson

Non-Voting Members Present: Mike Hartner, Roger Moore, Leo Oriet

Non-Voting Members Absent: Kurt Dawson, Molly Graham, Orfeh Vahabzadeh and Ravi Yalamanchi

Others Present: Doug Walther, Deputy Assessor and Susan Galeczka, Deputy Clerk

Committee Member Dawson provided previous notice he would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2008-0191 Regular Meeting - March 25, 2008

Attachments: [032508 GSAB DRAFT Minutes.pdf](#)
[Resolution.pdf](#)

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

Aye 9 - Funk, Carvey, Gauthier, McGoldrick, Robinson, Wallace, Windscheif, Loeb and Peterson

Resolved that the Green Space Advisory Board hereby approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2008 as presented

COMMUNICATIONS

Chairperson Windscheif distributed the amended GSAB Bylaws that were approved as presented by City Council at the March 31, 2008 Council meeting. Council will be reviewing the 2008 Work Plan at a later date.

An updated GSAB membership list was also distributed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Windscheif acknowledged that Rochester Hills residents Ms. Melinda Hill and Mr. Andy Krupp were in attendance.

Also, Ms. Wanetta Woods, a student from Rochester High School, was in attendance for a high school government class project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

2008-0139 Adoption of Resolution to convene to Closed Session on April 22, 2008 to consider purchase or lease of real property

Attachments: 032508 Resolution for Closed Session.pdf
[042208 Resolution for Closed Session.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Gauthier, seconded by McGoldrick, that this matter be Approved.

The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye 9 - Funk, Carvey, Gauthier, McGoldrick, Robinson, Wallace, Windscheif, Loeb and Peterson

Resolved that the Green Space Advisory Board convenes immediately on April 22, 2008 to Closed Session, as permitted by State Statute MCLA 15.268 to consider the possible purchase or lease of real property. The Green Space Advisory Board will convene to Open Session at the conclusion of the Closed Session

GSAB convened to Closed Session at 7:14 PM.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

GSAB reconvened to Open Session at 7:38 PM.

2007-0856 Review of Harding Road Property

Attachments: [09-10-07 Nomination Form - Harding Street.pdf](#)

A brief discussion ensued regarding the total appraised amount of all properties under consideration for acquisition relative to total GSAB millage funds available. Mr. Hartner cautioned the Board not to focus on appraised value because of so many other factors that come into play.

The consensus was to recommend that City Council pursue the Harding Road property for green space acquisition. The Property Nominations & Acquisition Sub committee will prepare a Power Point presentation to City Council. Council members will be invited to walk the property.

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

Aye 9 - Funk, Carvey, Gauthier, McGoldrick, Robinson, Wallace, Windscheif, Loeb and Peterson

Whereas, the Green Space Advisory Board (GSAB) has been diligently working to acquire open space per the Green Space and Natural Features Millage approved in 2005; and

Whereas, the GSAB has developed criteria for open space acquisition and evaluated nominated properties based on the Property Evaluation Criteria, site visits, greenway connectivity, and how the properties fit into Oakland County's Spoke & Hub Strategy.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Green Space Advisory Board hereby recommends that City Council consider the acquisition of the Harding Road property under the Green Space Millage Fund.

2008-0134 Discuss GSAB staggered membership terms

Chairperson Windscheif reported that the Administrative & Strategic Sub committee met on this matter. Member Funk presented a draft document for consideration on how the recommended changes to the current membership terms would work. After a brief discussion, the consensus was to request that the support staff write a draft resolution for GSAB to consider at its May meeting after which the matter could then be moved forward to City Council.

This matter was Discussed

2007-0753 Update regarding any nominated properties

Mr. Hartner, Director of Parks & Forestry, provided an update on nominated properties which included a review of an internal document created by the Property Nominations & Acquisitions sub-committee that lists the latest GSAB and City Council action/status regarding nominated properties. Currently there is no update on the Mead Road or Cloverport properties. The owners of the Yates Cider Mill property will be submitting a revised nomination application. Mr. Hartner also briefly discussed the other five (5) properties that have been evaluated but not recommended for acquisition at this time.

This matter was Discussed

2008-0130 GSAB Administrative & Strategic Sub-Committee

Chairperson Windscheif gave a brief update on projects ongoing.

This matter was Discussed**2008-0131** GSAB Communication, Promotion & Media Sub-Committee

Member Funk gave a brief update on pending issues which included working on the Harding Road presentation to City Council.

This matter was Discussed**2008-0132** GSAB Property Nominations & Acquisitions Sub-Committee

Member Gauthier was appointed chair of the sub-committee and reported it has met. He briefly discussed the internal document that was developed to track action/status of nominated properties. The sub-committee discussed grant opportunities and will explore them further. They also are exploring the creation of a standard grant solicitation form. The sub-committee is aware that they cannot apply for any grants without the approval of City Council.

The sub-committee does not recommend a large-scale solicitation for property nominations be conducted at this time, but perhaps in two or three years. They recommend making contact with property owners that hold strategically identified parcels that are considered gold-nugget type properties.

Member McGoldrick briefly reported that FANUC Robotics has some property available and currently plans to keep it vacant. A brief discussion ensued regarding approaching them or sending them a nomination form to see if they would be interested in selling it to the city for a modest amount.

This matter was Discussed**2008-0133** GSAB Stewardship & Advocacy Sub-Committee

The sub-committee members reported that they have not met lately, but will plan to meet soon. It was suggested that they chose a chair. A brief discussion ensued regarding miscellaneous items that this sub-committee could pursue which may include meeting with Oakland Land Conservancy. It was suggested that the sub-committee could possibly focus on defining what "stewardship" means to the GSAB Board given the types of property that are being acquired through the GSAB millage. Any suggested recommendations could be made via a presentation to the City Council on how the city could incorporate stewardship in its vision.

It was also suggested to watch the March 17, 2008 City Council meeting for an excellent presentation on environmental easements.

This matter was Discussed**NEW BUSINESS****2008-0195** Discuss 2009 City Council Goals & Objectives relative to GSAB

Attachments: [2009 CC Goals & Objectives updated 041708.pdf](#)

Chairperson Windscheif opened the floor for discussion regarding the City Council's 2009 Goals & Objectives. The Board briefly reviewed the 2009 Goals & Objectives as it

relates to "green space and stewardship". It was the Board's understanding that Council would like to receive any input by April 28, 2008. Member Robinson volunteered to draft comments based on the Board's input. Mr. Robinson will email the consolidated notes to GSAB members for review and a final position memo will be forwarded to the Council Liaison via support staff.

This matter was Discussed

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Member Oriet wished everyone "Happy Earth Day" and announced that the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council will hold its first Youth Summit on Saturday April 26, 2008 at City Hall. Mr. Hartner is one of the directors to conduct a session with youth participants on how to address the deer population in the city. There will be a lot of good discussion and a fun event.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Tuesday, May 27, 2008 - 7:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Windscheif adjourned the meeting at 9:08 PM.

Minutes prepared by Denise Mertz.

Minutes were approved as presented/amended at the _____, 2008 Regular GSAB Committee Meeting.