



Rochester Hills

DRAFT Minutes

Green Space Advisory Board

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Gerald Carvey, Paul Funk, Tim Gauthier, Molly Graham, Lorraine McGoldrick, Leo Oriet, Jack Robinson, Orfeh Vahabzadeh, Pamela Wallace, William Windscheif

Tuesday, October 23, 2007

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Carvey called the Green Space Advisory Board meeting to order at 7:02

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Funk, Carvey, Gauthier, McGoldrick, Robinson and Wallace

Absent 1 - Windscheif

Non-Voting Members Present: Ravi Yalamanchi

Non-Voting Members Absent: Kurt Dawson, Mike Hartner, Roger Moore, Molly Graham, and Orfeh Vahabzadeh

Others Present: Kathleen Quandt, Oakland University Journalism student, Andy Krupp, and Doug Walther, Deputy of Assessing [arrived 7:25 PM]

Committee Members Windscheif, Hartner, Moore and Graham provided previous notice they would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None were presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 2007-0754 Introduction of Youth Representatives appointed to GSAB for term ending August 31, 2008
- Molly Graham
 - Leo Oriet
 - Orfeh Vahabzadeh

Chairperson Carvey introduced Mr. Leo Oriet, Youth Representative from Avondale High School that will serve as a non-voting member of GSAB for a term to end August 31, 2008.

This matter was Discussed

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2007-0056 GSAB Work Plan for 2008

Attachments: [2008 GSAB Work Plan.pdf](#)

Members briefly discussed the GSAB Work Plan for 2008. Member Funk will send a suggested draft to members via email and discussions will continue at the November GSAB meeting.

This matter was Discussed

2007-0526 Update regarding three (3) property acquisitions: East Childress, West Childress, 1460 Mead Road

Attachments: [Update from G.Carvey.pdf](#)

The Board briefly discussed the property acquisitions. Unfortunately City staff could not be present that could provide an update. Chairperson Carvey will request that Mr. Hartner provide an update as soon as possible and include any new developments on the Posey property (Yates Cider Mill).

It was also suggested that City Staff provide updates on any sites that have been nominated including the property at Crooks Road & M-59 (southwest area with large pond).

This matter was Discussed

Sub Committee Reports

2007-0161 GSAB Report Writing Sub-Committee

Attachments: [042407 Draft Report - property recom.pdf](#)

No report at this time.

This matter was Discussed

2007-0178 GSAB Promotion & Media Sub-Committee

Attachments: 051707 Ltr to Nominees not selected 1st cycle.pdf

The subcommittee will provide press releases as appropriate.

This matter was Discussed

2007-0179 GSAB Grant Writing Sub-Committee

Attachments: 082407 J. Keglovitz letter for grant support.pdf

A question arose about timing to meet grant deadlines. Chairperson Carvey will request Mr. Hartner to provide an update.

This matter was Discussed

2007-0180 GSAB Visionary Sub-Committee

Member Robinson reported that he will be meeting with representatives from the Historical Districts Study Committee regarding suggested signage for open space properties.

This matter was Discussed

2007-0181 GSAB Stewardship Sub-Committee

Chairperson Carvey reported that he and Mr. Moore will meet regarding stewardship prior to the next GSAB meeting. Mayor Barnett has discussed stewardship with the City Attorney and has requested the City Attorney to provide an opinion. Member Wallace offered to arrange for a presentation regarding stewardship management.

This matter was Discussed

NEW BUSINESS

2007-0752 Update regarding Rochester College easement to Oakland Land Conservancy

Attachments: [092507 PUD Agrmt - Roch College.pdf](#)
[061507 Oak Cty Easement - OLC.pdf](#)
[031507 MDEQ Easement - OLC.pdf](#)

The Board reviewed information provided by the Planning Department regarding the conservation easement that Rochester College provided to obtain a PUD agreement with the City. The College granted the easement to the DEQ joint with the College. The DEQ agreed to request that Oakland Conservancy provide stewardship monitoring. The Board concurred that it was a good fit with plan connectivity.

This matter was Discussed

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2007-0753 Update regarding any newly nominated properties

Member Funk reported that brief discussions with Mr. Bashr Bashir, a property owner who offered information regarding property on Rochester Road for consideration by the GSAB. The location, property size and interest of owner needs to be clearly identified and discussions will continue with Mr. Bashir.

Mr. Funk also stated that Ms. Petitto, the City's property acquisition agent, is continuing to make contacts with the owners of the White property.

Chairperson Carvey reported receiving a nomination form through Ms. Petitto on Parcel No. 70-15-15-328-001 from Mr. Sam LoChirco for Harding Estates. The Board discussed the location and size of property and determined that it may be closer to 23 acres when the steep slopes are considered even though the nomination form reflected 40 acres. No price is known at this time.

It was suggested that Mr. Hartner provide any pertinent information to the Board prior to doing a site walk of the property scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 9th and 10th. The site walk will be similar to what was conducted for prior nominated

This matter was Discussed

NEXT MEETING DATE

The Board was in agreement to hold the next GSAB meeting on Tuesday, December 18, 2007 due to the Christmas holidays.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Carvey adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Minutes prepared by Denise Mertz.

Minutes were approved as presented/amended at the _____, 2008 Regular Green Space Advisory Board Meeting.

Gerald Carvey, Chairperson