



NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

JULY 24, 2018

7:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**
 - a. June Minutes**
- IV. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Update from Mayor Gilvin**
- V. STAFF REPORTS**
 - a. Arborist Report**
 - b. Environmental Programs**
- VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a. Programs**
 - b. Communications**
- VII. NEXT MEETING DATE**
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission

Meeting Minutes - June 19, 2018

Call to Order

A meeting of the Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission was held at City Hall on June 19, 2018. Attendees: Deb Zemlock (Chair), Geri Chapple, Cat Fisher, Sandra Johnson, Ben Manley, Jon McPhail (new commissioner), Howard Salk, Kate Tunison, Terry Porter (Staff), and David Shostak (Staff).

Approval of Minutes

May 2018 Meeting Minutes were accepted with changes unanimously.

New Business *(introduced early due to time restrictions of both parties)*

- **Recycling Pilot Program**
 - Amanda Muselli of the Parks and Recreation Department provided the NRC with an overview of the department's efforts to implement a recycling program in the City of Alpharetta. Current focus is on installing two small trash compactors in the Old Roswell Parking Lot to help with trash from the Food Truck Alley. The two compactors are 100lb bailers; one for cardboard and the other for plastic. Also let the Commission know that a trash committee to work with business downtown does exist.
 - Willing to help the NRC launch the recycling pilot program in Brooke Street Park.
 - Noted that the vendor in charge of recycling is Republic.
 - GC to represent NRC in working group for this initiative with the guidance of AM.
- **Howard is leaving the Commission immediately**

Staff Reports

- **Arborist Report**
 - Cumming Street / Old Manning House to start after Arborist is available to examine roots for silt fence
 - The development will not have a through road
 - JM asked if there is a tree consensus.
 - DS explained that one does exist, but was put on the shelf. A working survey does not exist, but one for public lands would be nice. Will talk to Will Eberly about the idea.
 - DS also explained the city's policy about trees on private land.
 - Green Infrastructure
 - Meeting scheduled for sometime in Aug / Sept to go over results; public hearing to follow.
 - DS to send out invite to Commissioners who wish to join.
- **Environmental Programs**
 - Events
 - List of Fall workshops provided by TP.

- In conjunction with GAWP, TP co-host a 3-day workshop for teachers to become certified in Project WET.
- TP also mentioned that Commissioners are not required to attend workshops, but it would be nice to have at least one attend each.

Committee Reports

- ***Speaker Events***

- Bat Event -Need to start looking for locations.
 - TP suggested the YMCA and its open field area on the Greenway
 - KT suggested City Hall and the park behind it; or the Mansell House
 - CF asked if KT would check to see if the event meets Girl Scout badge standards
 - DS to check on requirements for Boy Scout badge requirements

- ***Budget***

- BM to keep record. FY2019 budget starts with a balance of \$2,000.
- 2018 budget balance estimated to be \$230 after trees, bench, and tablecloths.
 - Remaining money to be allocated to plaque for bench; Will discuss potential locations for bench at next meeting
- Part of the 2019 budget will go to provide gift cards to speakers, e.g. Krusacs

- ***Communications***

- 591 members in NRC Meet -Up

Other Business

- Arata Watanabe asked if new Mayor and Council will impact the NRC.
 - DZ said she is going to meet with Karen Richard and ask her to appoint her Commissioner

Next Meeting

Tuesday, July 24, 2018 at City Hall.