



NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION MARCH 19, 2019

City Hall
Executive Conference Room
2 Park Plaza
7:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**
 - a. February Minutes**
- IV. STAFF REPORTS**
 - a. Arborist Report**
 - b. Environmental Programs**
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a. Programs**
 - b. Communications**
 - c. Budget**
- VI. NEXT MEETING DATE**
- VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission

Meeting Minutes - February 19, 2019

Call to Order

A meeting of the Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission was held at City Hall on February 19, 2019. Attendees: Deb Zemlock (Chair), Jill Bernard, Geri Chapple, Sara Colvin, Cat Fisher, Ben Manley, Kate Tunison, Terry Porter (Staff), and David Shostak (Staff).

Approval of Minutes

January 2019 Meeting Minutes were accepted unanimously by the Commission

New Business

- Jill Bernard was introduced as new Natural Resources Commissioner.
- Memorial tree planting for Jon McPhail at Rock Mill Park; DZ contacted Martha McPhail about planning the memorial

Staff Reports

- **Arborist Report**
 - DataScan / JM Family tree planting this weekend - 2/23
 - 30 additional trees will be delivered to Cogburn Park on a later date for planting
 - No plans due this week
 - DZ asked if there is anything the NRC can do about the property on Lowe Lane with townhomes; there are numerous paint cans and appliances within the structures. DS informed the NRC that due to zoning there is nothing that can be done at this time. DZ to follow-up with DS on the protocol to attempt to recycle items on the property.
- **Environmental Programs**
 - Events
 - Good Soil and Compositing Workshop changed to 3/13
 - Pollinators event TBD
 - Household Hazardous Waste and Paint Collection event TBD
 - Arbor Day Planting on 3/16
 - Great American Clean-Up of Webb Bridge Park on 3/2
 - Need volunteers; DZ to write a press release for the event; CF to create flyer; GC to post on MeetUp
 - Clean Up Your Block - any interest to go forward?
 - CF suggested that the event be moved to the Fall, create marketing collateral for the event to distribute at the City-wide HOA meeting held by Mayor Gilvin as well as online accounts

Committee Reports

- **Events**

- Sip & Stroll
 - TBD due to DS's upcoming surgery; DS to reach out to foresters/arborists to see if there is interest in acting as a guide.
- Champion Tree List
 - DS suggests creating a City-Wide Champion Tree list and make it a community-wide competition.
- Pollinator Workshop
 - KT to coordinate; there are several suggestions on who could host the event; DZ reached out to Ellen Honeycutt to be the host and she is able to do it for \$50; location to be determined - either at Pollinator Garden or Mansell House
- Tree Sale
 - To be moved to the Fall; DS suggested it be a pre-order event; need to research best time of year to hold the pre-order to coordinate with planting season; TP suggested to do the pre-order and pick-up at a public place to engage the community in the program, maybe have the pre-order at the Holiday Market or Farmer's Market; KT suggested we could use this event as next year's Arbor Day event; KT, DZ, and SC will lead this event.
- Podcasts
 - DS let the NRC know that the City of Alpharetta website cannot host the files, a hosting website like Stitcher must be used and a link to the episodes can be placed on the City's website; GC to investigate more.

- **Budget**

- No updates; next month we will discuss how to spend the remaining budget balance.

- **Communications**

- No updates
- CF to send logo used for the tablecloth covers to NRC for review.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at City Hall.

Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission
Public meeting March 19, 2019

Environmental Programs Coordinator Report – Terry Porter

Past Public Offerings

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| 2/20 | Lawn Care for Spring and Summer Workshop |
| 3/2 | The Great American Cleanup at Webb Bridge Road Park |
| 3/13 | Good Soil and Composting Workshop |

Upcoming Public Offerings

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| 3/16 | Alpharetta Arbor Day Celebration and Tree Planting at Cogburn Road Park |
| 3/20 | The Basics of Vegetable Gardening Workshop |
| 03/23 | The 7th Annual Water Drop Dash 5K and Water Festival
Chattahoochee Nature Center - 5K Run/Walk and Kids' Fun Run/Walk |
| 3/27 | The Fragrant Garden Workshop |