

Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission

Meeting Minutes—September 15, 2020

Call to Order

A meeting of the Alpharetta natural Resources Commission was held at City Hall on September 15, 2020. Attendees: Deb Zemlock (chair), Ben Manley, Kate Tunison, Geri Chapple, Dan Mitnick and Terry Porter (Staff) and David Shostak (staff).

Approval of Minutes

August 18, 2020, minutes were approved.

Staff Reports

Arborist Report-David Shostack

- No new, large projects have come to the City for review.
- Tree removal permits have been issued.
- City has seen tear downs/re-builds of existing homes and pools are being put in.
- Trees in the downtown area are struggling to survive. David believes there are rootball issues with those trees. Those trees may not have gotten enough water.

Environmental Programs Report—Terry Porter

- The Rain Barrel virtual workshop was a success.
- Electronics/shredding will be October 17, 2020 at EPW.
- Household Hazardous Waste recycling program on September 26, 2020 at EPW. Dan will volunteer for the gate statistics area.
- Rivers Alive: Late October
- Terry will meet with Kate and Dan to formalize project plans.
- NRC members are welcome to recruit volunteers. YMSL and Fulton Science Academy have offered to volunteer.
- Bird habitat building and privet removal are possible activities.
- Other ideas: Roadways and wetland area clean-ups?
- Audubon Greenway Clean-up and Privet Removal Project: Signs are progressing-two signs-bird ID with a link to identify local birds-Audubon people are prepared to lead native plant installation project
- The NRC has done several virtual workshops. The City will advertise some meetings with the master gardeners.
- The Rain Barrel Workshop was a success.
- Wills Park Streambank Restoration Project – Terry and David will check on status and potential timing to begin project.

Next Meeting: October 20, 2020. Location to be determined.

Adjournment