



NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

MAY 18, 2021

Join Zoom Meeting

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7:00 PM

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- III. **APPROVAL OF APRIL 2021 MINUTES**
 - a. **April 20, 2021 Minutes**
- IV. **ARBORIST REPORT**
 - a. **Tree Topping Article / Handout**
- V. **KEEP ALPHARETTA BEAUTIFUL / ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS REPORT**
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 - 1. **2021 Public Offerings**
 - o **Spring programs**
 - 1. **Completed: Rain Barrell Workshop**
 - 2. **Upcoming:HHW & Paint Recycle 5/22/21**
 - 2. **Alpharetta's Wild Side Recertification**
 - o **Article (Terry / Kate / Geri)**
 - o **Advertise in FB and Patch?**
 - 3. **Keep America/Alpharetta Beautiful initiatives**
 - o **Annual Litter Index**
- VI. **COMMUNICATIONS**
- VII. **JUNE 2021 MEETING DATE**
- VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Natural Resources Commission Meeting
Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2021**

I. Call to Order

A Zoom meeting of the Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission was held on April 20, 2021. Attendees: Deb Zemlock (chair), Kate Tunison, Geri Chapple, Dan Mitnick and David Shostak (staff).

II. Approval of March 2021 Meeting Minutes

Dan Mitnick moved to accept the March 2021 minutes. Deb Zemlock seconded the motion. The March 2021 minutes were approved.

III. Arborist Report

- Heritage Tree Program: David Shostak met Evelyn Munkel. Ms. Munkel is interested in the program and is considering writing a book on the trees in the city. The program may also qualify as a Gold Award project for a Girl Scout.
- There are a record number of tree removal permits that have been submitted to the city arborist.
- David Shostak sees a need in the city for an information sheet on topping off/trimming crepe myrtle trees. Many of the crepe myrtles in the city are being harmed by over-trimming. Geri Chapple offered to write the information sheet.
- A representative from Trees Atlanta will be bringing a group to City Hall and Cogburn Road Park to inspect the trees that were acquired through the National Arbor Day Foundation.

IV. Keep Alpharetta Beautiful/Environmental Programs

A. Spring Programs

- Terry Porter would like to thank the Commission members who participated in the Electronics Recycling and Shredding event on April 10, 2021. There were 343 people who participated in the shredding portion of the event and 353 people brought electronics for recycling.

- There will be a Household Hazardous Waste Recycling event on May 22, 2021.
- Terry Porter created an Earth Day Message for James Drinkard on behalf of the ANRC.
- Terry Porter is looking for help distributing rain barrels at Rock Mill Park. Dan Mitnick has offered to help.
- Terry Porter is also looking for volunteers for the litter reporting project.

B. Alpharetta's Wild Side

- Terry Porter will need to give Kate Tunnison information on certification for Alpharetta's Wild Side. Kate Tunnison will write copy to provide information to citizens. That copy can be used in James Drinkard's newsletter, Facebook ads and ads in the local Patch.

V. May Meeting Date

The next meeting of the commission will be May 18, 2021, via Zoom.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Environmental Programs Report
NRC Meeting
May 18, 2021

Spring Programs

Completed since last meeting

4/22/21	Rain Barrel Workshop	7:00pm – 8:00pm	Zoom workshop
4/24/21	Rain barrel pickup	9:00am – 10:00am	Rock Mill Park
April	Garden Kit Project with UGA Cooperative Extension Agent Carole Stringer. 150 Garden kits were assembled for people to plant. Each kit contained roughly 8 packets each with most of them having 6 vegetables, 1 flower, and 1 herb. 75 kits were distributed from our North office and 75 went to our East Point office.		

Upcoming Programs

5/22/21	Household Hazardous Waste and Paint Collection	9:00am – 1:00pm
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City of Alpharetta Latex Paint Recycling Collection

The Alpharetta Latex Paint Recycling Collection has not yet reopened. When available, the form to register can be found here
<https://www.alpharetta.ga.us/government/departments/finance/services/trash-and-recycling/hazardous-waste>

Gardening Workshop Series with the North Fulton Master Gardeners

The spring lecture series is completed