



NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

JULY 20, 2021

City Hall
2 Park Plaza
Council Chambers Meeting Room
7:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF JUNE 2021 MEETING MINUTES**
 - a. June Minutes**
- IV. ARBORIST REPORT**
 - a. Arborist Report**
 - b. Tree Topping Article by Geri Chapple**
- V. KEEP ALPHARETTA BEAUTIFUL / ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS REPORT**
 - a. Programs**
 - b. Alpharetta's Wild Side**
 - 1. Article (Geri, Kate and Terry)**
 - c. Keep Alpharetta Beautiful Initiatives**
 - 1. Annual Litter Index - Additional observations needed**
 - d. Recycling Education and Awareness**
 - e. Rivers Alive Planning**
- VI. COMMUNICATIONS**
- VII. NEXT MEETING DATE**
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Natural Resources Commission Meeting
Meeting Minutes
June 15, 2021

I. Call to Order

A Zoom meeting of the Alpharetta Natural Resources Commission was held on June 15, 2021. Attendees: Deb Zemlock (chair), Kate Tunison, Geri Chapple, Dan Mitnick, Sandra Kinney and Terry Porter (staff) and David Shostak (staff).

II. Approval of May 2021 Meeting Minutes

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

III. Keep Alpharetta Beautiful/Environmental Programs

A. Programs Committee Meeting

- The spring and winter environmental programs are finished. The committee reviewed current resources, manpower, etc. The emphasis for future programs will be on educational outreach. Articles and guest speakers would enhance future program offerings.
- The committee decided to focus on the recycling effort in the city. The Ga Recycling Coalition, Keep America Beautiful and Keep Georgia Beautiful can provide information to help develop awareness of contamination, as well as recycling opportunities around the city.
- Rivers Alive will return to a live gathering with groups of people.
- The committee would also like to focus on adding additional communication channels including local publications that cater to families in the city.

B. Litter Survey

- The Keep America Beautiful Litter Index Outreach survey information packet was sent by Terry Porter to NRC members on June 15, 2021. The survey must be completed by July 1, 2021. NRC members are asked to complete the survey through a drive-by activity. This involves a driver and a scorekeeper who will make observations of predetermined streets in the city

to evaluate how much litter is seen on each road. Terry Porter offered details to the group. The surveys must be completed by July 1, 2021.

C. Alpharetta's Wild Side

- There is no need for certification for additional residential properties. The city webpage should be enhanced to add information. There are many opportunities to educate residents about living alongside wildlife.

IV. Additional Commission Members

The group discussed adding new members and working with James Drinkard to meet new people. Chairman Deb Zemlock will be resigning her seat on the commission, effective in July. NRC members will miss Deb's positive leadership and enthusiasm for protecting and promoting Alpharetta's Natural Resources.

V. July Meeting Date

The next meeting of the commission will be July 20, 2021, at Alpharetta City Hall.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Environmental Programs Report
NRC Meeting
June 15 18, 2021

Upcoming Programs for Summer and Fall

October	Rivers Alive - Volunteer community and waterway cleanup
October	Electronics Recycling Collection
October	Sensitive Document Shredding
November	America Recycles Day
November	Household Hazardous Waste and Paint Collection

The Summer/Fall Series of classes will continue to the North Fulton community and beyond through FREE virtual gardening education programming. This series of seven classes begins Wednesday, September 1, 2021 and will be available through live Zoom webinars and Facebook Live. The classes will also be available for later viewing at www.youtube.com/NorthFultonMasterGardeners.

Fall Lawn Care in Atlanta

Live Zoom: **Wednesday, September 1 at 7:00 pm**

Fall Vegetable Gardening

Live Zoom: **Sunday, September 12 at 2:00 pm**

ABC'S of Fall Gardening

Live Zoom: **Sunday, September 19 at 2:00 pm**

Landscaping Lessons Learned!

Live Zoom: **Sunday, September 26 at 2:00 pm**

Fun Garden Projects to do with your Kids

Live Zoom: **Sunday, October 10 at 2:00 pm**

Winter Vegetable Planting Demonstration

Live Zoom: **Sunday, October 24 at 2:00 pm**

Cool Season Flowers Beyond Pansies

Live Zoom: **Sunday, November 7 at 2:00 pm**