



NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

MAY 16, 2023

ALPHARETTA CITY HALL
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM #121
2 PARK PLAZA
6:30 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- III. APPROVAL OF APRIL MEETING MINUTES**
- IV. STAFF REPORTS**
 - a. Arborist Report
 - b. Environmental Programs Report
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a. Clean Waterways
 - b. Recycling and Sustainability
 - c. Wildlife - Alpharetta's Wild Side
 - d. Tree Canopy and Preservation
- VI. OLD BUSINESS - BUDGET**
- VII. NEXT MEETING DATE**
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT**



Alpharetta Natural Resources
Commission Meeting
APRIL 18, 2023
ACTION SUMMARY

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I. CALL TO ORDER

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- a. Meeting began at 6:39pm on April 18th, 2023, in the Executive Conference Room #121

II. ROLE CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Present were:
 - i. Commissioners: Geri Chapple, Dan Mitnick, Lindsey Ann Burnett, Beth Ott, Ben Manley, and Clifford Martin.
 - ii. Staff: Terry Porter
 - iii. Volunteer: Arata Watanabe
- b. Discussion held on definition of quorum, alternate, volunteer, etc. is needed.

III. APPROVAL OF MARCH MEETING MINUTES

- a. A motion was made to approve the March minutes by Clifford Martin and seconded by Dan Mitnick. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS REPORT by Terry Porter

- a. Venue and time potential update. Dates for the NRC meeting could potentially change to
 - i. 1st Tuesday of the Month
 - ii. 1st Wednesday of the Month
 - iii. 2nd Wednesday of the Month
 - iv. 3rd Wednesday of the Month
- b. A change to the public calendar is that the June 10th household hazard waste and paint collection will not be taking place this spring.
- c. Upcoming Programs include the events taking place on May 6th.
 - i. Community Shredding and Recycling Collection – 8:30am-12:00pm. Location: 1790 Hembree Road, Alpharetta Ga 30009. Strict 5 box limit- copy paper sized box. Registration is not required. Two shifts for volunteers to help.
 - ii. Computer and Electronics Recycling Collection 8:30am-12:00pm. Location: 1790 Hembree Road, Alpharetta Ga 30009. See the City of Alpharetta website for a list of acceptable items and any applicable charges.

- d. Keep Georgia Beautiful and Earth Share Update - Amdocs wants to do a planting project with Keep Alpharetta Beautiful. Thirty or more shrubs will be planted at Brook Street Park on Friday, May 19th per the approved planting plan for the park.
- e. The Taste of Alpharetta - A third party vendor will be doing the waste management and cleanup this year. This includes recycling at the event using our recyclers.
- f. Tent at farmers market to bring awareness for Natural Resource Commission. Need date requests if we decide to do this.
- g. Updating of the NRC Website with each of the specific committees.

V. MEETING EXTENSION MOTION

- a. A motion was made to approve an extension of the meeting for an additional 30 minutes by Dan Mitnick and seconded by Clifford Martin. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Clean Water Ways- Dan Mitnick

- i. Rivers Alive
- ii. Educational exhibits desired to be created for educational purposes in partnership with local high schools.

b. Recycling and Sustainability- Beth Ott

- i. Green Cell wants to come to the next meeting in June. Article in the Herald titled "Green Cell to host sustainably youth summit" written by Amber Perry and published on Mar 17, 2023, presented.
- ii. Educational survey to be created about public's current thoughts on recycling.
- iii. Envelope stuffers cost still to be determined.

c. Wildlife – Clifford Martin

- i. Alpharetta Wild Side- Community Education
 - 1. This project has been placed on hold.
- ii. Alpharetta Wild Side- Developer Video
 - 1. No new updates
- iii. Bird Walks
 - 1. The first Bird Walk of 2023 was held on Sunday, March 26, 2023. It was led by Dottie Head of Georgia Audubon. Over 20 people attended the event, which was cut short after an hour by thunderstorms and rain. The attendees did indicate they wanted to attend more bird walks and at different locations around Alpharetta.
 - 2. Possible Bird Walk Dates
 - a. May Sat 20
 - b. June Sat 3, Sun 4, Sat 17
 - c. Aug Sat 19, Sun 20
 - d. Oct Sat 14, Sun 15, Sun 28
- iv. Natural Resources Photography Contest
 - 1. No new updates

d. Tree Canopy and Preservation- Ben Manley

- i. Discussion and review is continuing of unified development code.
- ii. The Arbor Day plaque for the Serviceberry tree has been obtained.

VII. BUDGET BRAINSTORMING SESSION

- a. The commission has \$826.00 still in the budget. It needs to be spent and items obtained by June 30th.
 - i. Ideas to spend money on – birdhouses for the community, 10 x 15 tent frame, glowing rocks, Webb Bridge Park Labyrinth, Adirondack chairs.
 - ii. The commission is to send Terry Porter an email by April 21st with final decisions on how you would like to see the budget sent.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE MAY 16, 2023

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- a. The meeting ended at 8:29pm.

Environmental Programs Report
May 16, 2023
Natural Resources Commission Meeting
Terry Porter

Spring Programs

Past Programs

5/6/2023	Community Shredding and Recycling Collection Alpharetta Public Works Department 1790 Hembree Road, Alpharetta, Ga., 30009 Strict 5-box limit- copy paper sized box. Registration is not required.	8:30am - Noon
5/6/2023	Computer and Electronics Recycling Collection Alpharetta Public Works Department 1790 Hembree Road, Alpharetta, Ga., 30009 See City of Alpharetta website in April for a list of acceptable items and any applicable charges	8:30am - Noon

Upcoming Programs

5/19/2023	Shrub planting at Roundabout Park with Amdocs.
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