



Minutes of the Meeting  
Natural Resources Committee  
A Subcommittee of the Strategic Advisory Committee  
Geneva City Hall  
March 1, 2023

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Jay Womack.
2. Geneva NRC Members Present: Jay Womack, Bill Doeckel, Carrie Carter, Stephanie O'hara, Kelvin Limbrick, Rachel Ratos. Absent: Tom Dickinson, Mel Rooney, John Frankenthal, Adam McMillen, Jeanine McMillen, Dan Ludwig, Steve Matravers and Sam Kresler (GHS Liaison), (SPAC Liaison).
3. Amendments to the Agenda. None.
4. Approval of Minutes from February Meeting. Kelvin Limbrick moved and seconded by Bill Doeckel to approve the February minutes.
5. Active Projects:
  - Earth Day Event.
    - i. Discussed details of the event. Who will be there and who will not. Jay not likely, Bill maybe. Kelvin, Stephanie, Rachel, and Carrie plan to be there.
    - ii. Theme remains Healthy Community Healthy Earth
    - iii. Adam Dagley will meet with NRC later in the month for an Earth Day planning meeting.
    - iv. Wild Fries, Alice's Kitchen will be at the event to provide food.
    - v. Poster has been sent and posted.
    - vi. There will be recycling for fabrics, shoes, textiles, electronics and styrofoam.
    - vii. Park District is looking into a paper shredder.
    - viii. The electric cars will be there.
    - ix. Tomato seedlings will be available.
    - x. Kelvin will pass out tree seedlings.
    - xi. Kim Valentine will be contacted for a recycling display.
    - xii. Information on 50/50 program.
    - xiii. Scavenger Hunt.
    - xiv. Yoga maybe.
    - xv. Pumpkin recycling information.
  - Eastside Fire Station Natural Landscaping Project
    - i. Dan Ludwig continues to monitor the plants.
  - River Clean-up Day
    - i. Stay tuned for 2023.
  - Rain Barrels
    - i. Rain barrels are \$75 each.
  - Greening Geneva
    - i. County sent map where 10 to 15 trees can be planted. Asked if we would be interested in planting trees at the Government Center.
    - ii. Some trees need to be replaced. However, some are six years old so will need to pay for replacements.
    - iii. Would like to get tags made for the trees planted. Have the WCT logo and name of tree and year planted.
  - Wine, Cheese and Trees.
    - i. The event was a huge success.
    - ii. A meeting recapping the event will be held with NRC, GPD and Library.
    - iii. 70% of proceeds are held by Park District for planting of trees. The remaining 30% is split between the three organizations to be used as appropriate.
  - Fabyan Preserve Stewardship
    - i. Workdays have begun and will continue through May.
  - Elm Park Restoration Work.
    - i. Carrie Carter moved, Bill Doeckel seconded the motion passed approving purchase of plants for Elm Park.
  - NRC Facebook and Instagram

- Recycling Bins on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.
    - i. The bins are still there.
  - Dark Sky Initiative
    - i. NRC will continue to promote the Dark Sky Initiative.
  - Tree Ordinance
    - i. Based on NRC recommendations, there are several sections of the City Code that need to be amended in relation to tree preservation, tree protection and landscaping.
6. New Initiatives
    - i. Create an education piece on styrofoam and plastics.
    - ii. Mosquito abatement program awareness for need to spray.
  7. Treasurer's Report – We have cash.
  8. Additional business – None to be had.
  9. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. Rachel Ratos moved and Kelvin Limbrick seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Carter