



Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2021 | 7-8 PM

Zoom meeting

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Meeting ID: 967 4907 1070

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1. Call to Order—Introductions

- a. CAC Members present: Rich, Roger, Ember, Tim, Beth, Emily, Jon S, Bob, Josh, John A, Shelby
- b. CAC Members absent: Charlotte
- c. Staff present: Gael, Lizzy
- d. Board Managers present: Peggy K

2. Member updates

- a. Edina print newsletter
- b. More education needed on grass clippings and not to sweep into street
 - i. also not mowing up to the creek edge
 - ii. City provide letter to new residents near creek, or CAC making letter?
- c. Developers not keeping construction sites clean, esp near Highland oaks development in eden prairie

3. Project Updates

- a. [Discovery Point Restoration](#)
 - i. Last phase of buckthorn removal, done.
 - ii. Prescribed burn, done
 - iii. Seeding of native species at cardinal creek is happening.
- b. Upcoming [Arrowhead/Indianhead lake](#), Edina
 - i. UAA (Use Attainability Analysis) - water quality study planned.
- c. [Lynmar Basin/Mavelle Park](#), Edina
 - i. one community meeting done, another planned. More news will be shared at Better Together Edina website, linked above.

4. Education Program Updates



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- a. Past programs
 - i. Dog waste events, school presentations, Normandale Hills school rain garden project, storm drain marking kit (use is increasing!).
 - 1. Rain Garden project - lots of excitement with kids being very active in the process. Picking and planning plantings, creating stepping stones to include in the garden too.
- b. How to increase PR and marketing strategies?
 - a. IAP2 training and better engagement practices
- c. Future - meeting in person again? Would a hybrid be a possibility? Either way, priority is and will be safety.
 - 1. Chatting up people at Minnetonka parks about the dog poo pick up, not many participants.
 - 2. School visits, in person and virtual, good.
 - 3. Testing medias -
 - 4. Storm drain marking kits, girl scouts teaching the use of them, there will be an incentive patch for their vests.
 - 5. Done with the Friday fireplace reads for now. All videos taken down.
- d. Upcoming events
 - i. [Raingarden Maintenance Virtual Workshop](#) | June 3, 6:30-7:30 PM
 - 1. People attended from Minnetonka, Edina, Hopkins, Bloomington. For people who already have them, 35 people have signed up already.
 - ii. [Bike tour](#) | July 17, 1-3 PM
 - 1. Along 9 Mile Creek, 8 to 10 miles round trip, planning on an easy pace. RSVP form live on the website, link above.
 - iii. [Beginners Seed Propagation](#) | August 11, 6:30-7:30 PM
 - 1. Looking for hybrid technology at discovery point. Check in with Tim, he's a self declared (hybrid model) pro (nice!)



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- iv. MPCA Trainings: Property Managers on [July 15](#) and Parking Lots and Sidewalks on [September 21](#)
 - 1. Try to invite more people so they don't have to cancel the meetings on account of low attendance.

5. Professional Development opportunities

- i. CAC members can attend one of these per year and are required to write up a summary and give a brief report at the subsequent CAC meeting.
- b. [Salt Symposium](#)
 - i. August
 - ii. Calling newer CAC members! Early bird registration will be ending soon.
- c. [AIS Detectors Course](#) through the UMN and MAISRC (reimbursement for this course fee has a slightly different structure-email Gael for more info)
 - i. Mostly virtual
 - ii. If you're a lakeshore owner, how to spot potential aquatic hazards
- d. Fisheries management volunteer opportunity - Baiting box nets with corn to research their movement and removal at Normandale and Cornelia. Week-long stint including heavy lifting and wading out (waders provided) into the lake. Still working out the details - email Erica for info.
- e. MAWD
- f. Things are not back to normal yet but are still improving education efforts within safe parameters.
Gael out of office from 14th -18th of June
Educating private owners on the significance of rare fen wetlands.
Historically have seen them be donated to conservation organizations.

6. Adjourn

CAC meetings: every other month, first Wednesday from 7-8 PM on Zoom until further notice.



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Aug 4, 2021 07:00 PM

Oct 6, 2021 07:00 PM

Dec 1, 2021 07:00 PM