

City of Lake Geneva Avian Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 14 2023, 6:00P.M.

City Council Conference Room 2A

1. Call to order: 6:03 PM by Sarah McConnell

2. Roll Call. The following members were present: , Jill Rodriguez, Sarah McConnell. Alderperson Cindy Yager and Karen Gallo. Excused Carol Zimmerman, Beverly Leonard and Kelley Happ. There were no members of the public in attendance.

3. Approval of Avian Committee meeting minutes from February 14 meeting

Motion to approve minutes by McConnell, seconded by Yager. The motion was passed.

4. Comments from the Public

There were no comments.

- Financial review tabled until we receive it and review (5-6)

7. Bird City Application

The application is complete, edited, and looks good. Zimmermann emailed it to David Nord and asked him to submit the application, along with the payment, to Bird City Wisconsin. Good work team.

8. Bird City Presentation

Representatives from the Lake Geneva Avian committee will present our Learning to Soar program at the Bird City Annual Conference on March 24-25 in Oshkosh.

9. Update on City Projects

No update at this time.

10. Purple Martin Updates

No updates at this time will wait for the return of Leonard

11. Learning to Soar Update –

Zimmermann, O'Connell, Yager met with Jill Lorenzi at the school on Feb. 15 to discuss the website. Also they discussed the Back yard bird count

12. Conservancy

Bird walk tabled until next meeting

13 Story Book Trail:

The committee discussed the talk of redoing some of Story Book Trail making it more assessable for strollers, wheelchairs, etc. More ADA improvements are needed. New steps need to be replacing the current ones. The cost of this will be plugged into the Grant. Jill will have a draft of the tourism and Allie not energy grants by next meeting.

14 Glas-Dark skies

Tabled until next meeting

15. Swift Night Out

O'Connell said Schlitz is on board, icream truck is as well. Still waiting to hear from JoJo's food truck. The Geneva Lake Museum is also reserved.

15. Donations were also discussed by the committee for the geotrackers. The group thought that \$50.00 per person would be a great way to help this project. The committee also discussed asking the Tree's Committee to make donations as well.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm

Next Meeting March 14, 2023 6:00 PM

14. Future Agenda Items

- Update Financial Review for 2022/2023
- Learning to Soar update, including Story Book Trail
- Geneva Lake Conservancy Bird Walk Update

- GLAS Dark Skies Interface
- Update on Potential Grants
- Swift Night Out Update
- Purple Martin Update
- Brief 2022 Calendar/Project review

15: Adjournment:

O'Connell moved to adjourn meeting was seconded by Jill Rodriguez