



**MINUTES**  
**GLENVIEW NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**  
**July 19, 2010**

**Call to Order by the Chairman**

The July 19, 2010 meeting of the Glenview Natural Resources Commission was called to order by Chairman Fuller at 7:05 p.m. in the Village Hall Lunch Room.

**Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum**

Roll call was taken and Chairman Fuller noted a quorum was present.

PRESENT: Chairman Fuller; Commissioners Beck, Halliday, and Saunders;  
and Ms. Robyn Flakne, Natural Resources Manager and Staff Liaison

ABSENT: Commissioners Blomquist and Nelson

GUESTS: Mr. Roy Fickel, Public Works Department  
Mr. Brian Anderson, Northwestern University Student  
Mr. Ron Ganim, Resident  
Ms. Chris McCooey, League of Women Voters

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Fuller asked for corrections or comments to the June 21, 2010 Minutes of the Natural Resources Commission meeting. There were no corrections.

Commissioner Halliday moved to approve the June 21, 2010 Minutes as written. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion. Upon voice vote the motion carried 3-0.

**General Communications**

Commissioner Halliday noted the Glenview Public Library posted a notice requesting supplies for workers helping oil-covered birds in Louisiana. Contributions such as towels, plastic bags, and dishwashing detergent may be taken to the North Shore Senior Center.

Commissioners decided to hold the next Natural Resources Commission meeting in September 2010.

**Consideration of Cases on the Agenda**

None.

## **Old Business**

### **River Summit Review**

On June 25 the Friends of the Chicago River held their annual River Summit which focuses on identifying sustainable solutions for the issues that impact the Chicago River. Ms. Flakne gave a talk about on-going projects in Glenview.

Commissioner Beck said Illinois has applied and will soon learn whether the state has been accepted to the Coastal Management Program which was established under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972. It is a voluntary effort whose purpose is to support and coordinate partnerships among local, state and federal agencies, and local organizations, to share information on coastal care efforts and to preserve and protect the Illinois's coastal resources. Illinois is a coastal state by virtue of its historic boundaries as well as the current boundaries for the drainage basin of the Great Lakes. If accepted to the Coastal Management Program, the initial federal funds may be used for internal Department of Natural Resources start-ups as there is minimal state money currently available.

### **General Discussion**

On Saturday, July 17 the Farmer's Market had about 2,000 visitors. On Saturday, July 24 the Green Table will highlight Glenview's Rain Garden program.

- The Board of Trustees meeting on July 20 will consider the Stormwater Task Force recommendations.
- The United Methodist Church is organizing green initiatives.
- The Chicago Botanic Garden would like to be a resource to the regional commissioners.

The next North Shore Green Commissions meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2010 at the Glencoe town hall. Glencoe does not have a Natural Resources Commission but is represented by Mr. Joel Solomon who is a town Trustee.

It was noted at the last North Shore Green Commissions meeting:

- Deerfield has a new Sustainability Commission.
- Highland Park has a phosphorous ban in place.
- Evanston Environment Board is discussing whether to allow residents to keep chickens in their backyard.

A prototype website has been developed which would allow Commissions to share documents.

All four Lake Michigan states now have bans which require dishwashing detergent for automatic dishwashers be phosphorous-free. Commissioner Beck added a recent Environmental Protection

Agency report said all 50 states have nutrient problems with either nitrogen or phosphorous which will be exacerbated if climate change continues.

Feeding and excretions of invasive species such as zebra mussels and quagga mussels contributed to the recent nutrient problems of Lake Erie. Mussels are changing the flow of nutrients as well as the Great Lakes food chain. Lake Superior is twenty degrees warmer this year than in previous years.

### **Reach 1 Communications**

Ms. Carol Freeman submitted design ideas for a Natural Resources Commission general logo for various projects. Commissioners considered the examples and unanimously favored design “E” and also approved its color. Ms. Freeman will also design a map which will be a sticker placed on a sign at a project worksite to convey that the area is a part of the river corridor through the Village. The Village website should show where the worksite is in context of the whole river.

Ms. Freeman will also design a flyer with copy supplied by the NRC. An article on Reach 1 written by Ms. Janet Spector Bishop, which appeared in the Village Newsletter, is a good basis for this copy and should include these changes:

Second paragraph, third line should be, “Its original path was forced into a straight man-made channel.”

Third paragraph, second line should be “... Thanks to federal stimulus funding received through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ...”

Third paragraph, third line should be “... will soon once again meander through wetland terraces, ...”

Fifth paragraph, first line should be “It’s all part of the Village’s West Fork River Corridor project to improve habitat along the river in Glenview.”

Fifth paragraph, third line should be “... near the War Memorial in Glenview’s downtown.”

Fifth paragraph, fourth line should be “In June 2010 ...”

### **New Business**

None.

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**Adjournment**

Commissioner Beck moved to adjourn. Commissioner Saunders seconded the motion. Upon voice vote the motion carried 3-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Scott  
Recording Secretary