

AVIAN (BIRD) COMMITTEE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 – 5:00 PM

CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM 2A

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Halverson at

Roll Call: Present: Halverson, Leonard, McConnell, Swanson, and McConnell. Absent: Commare. Also present City Administrator Oborn.

Approval of minutes from July 24, 2017 meeting as distributed

Motion to approve minutes by McDonnell/Leonard and motion passed 4-0.

Comments from the public limited to 5 minutes (None)

Discussion/Action/Recommendation on Avian Committee pursuing grants and donations for Purple Martin Housing

Leonard reported that she is not pursuing additional money and inventory at this time given the need to focus on installation.

Discussion/Action/Recommendation on installation of Purple Martin Houses in City Parks and City Property

Leonard is working with expert and City staff on possible locations to consider including: 1) Museum, 2) Business Park, and 3) Library Park. Meeting with Street Superintendent Waswo regarding locations on Wednesday at 3:00 pm. Motion to approve Leonard handling the locations by Halverson/McDonnell and motion passed 4-0.

Review of Swift Night Event

Sara did an excellent job! Plan to continue with September date next year.

Seeking volunteers for nest checking of Purple Martins

Looking for volunteers. Leonard to work on hand out with help from experts. McConnell to go to Audubon.

Discussion/Recommendation on use of locations such as the Library and Museum for educational purposes

Leonard to reach out to museum with possible Tuesday at 2:00 pm event. Halverson to reach out to the library.

Discussion/Recommendation of future agenda items

Future item: Volunteers. Next meeting on November 13 at 5:00 pm

Adjournment

Leonard/McDonnell motion to adjourn at 5:43pm. Motion carried unanimously.

/s/ Blaine Oborn, City Administrator

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COMMITTEE**