

Green Space Committee
April 6, 2026 Minutes
Town of Beverly Shores
Administration Building - 500 S. Broadway, Beverly Shores, IN

-Call to Order

-Roll Call

Sharon Carnes - Present

Andre Daugavietis - Present

Jay Fahn - Present

Jim Hoey - Present

Dale Nichols - via Google Meet

Candice Peterson-Smith - Present

David Pizza – via Google Meet (3rd consecutive virtual attendance, non-voting)

- Approval of March 2, 2026 Minutes

- Old Business

-Review updates to Green Space Committee information on website and brochures
Candice Peterson-Smith will facilitate updating the PDF.

-Targeted donation letter (Andre and Jim)

Jim Hoey identified recipients and Andre will draft letter.

-General donation letter addresses (Sharon and Dale)

Dale Nichols cross referenced with Beverly Shores Directory to obtain email addresses of vacant property owners. Dale will continue to mine more email addresses.

-Further discussion of potentially hosting resident volunteer events on Green Space properties, and synergy/overlap with ERG volunteer events. Still possible collaboration with ERG for removing invasives at Green Space Lots 24 and 25?

Collaboration with ERG occurred 3/21/26 and Lots 24 and 25 were cleared of woody invasives. Sharon Carnes will send Jay Fahn the lot list to identify future projects.

-Discussion of potential stewardship of Green Space by volunteer neighbors.

Will be discussed in a future meeting

-Further discussion of raising the visibility of the Green Space Initiative. Candice Peterson-Smith was to raise the issue of installing signage on Green Space properties at the March Town Council meeting (Candace)

Town Council did not object. Jim Hoey, Candace Peterson-Smith, and David Pizza volunteered for the sub-committee to investigate cost and design.

- New Business

-Being proactive regarding the “anti-Home Rule” bill that the state legislature is considering that may impact the Green Space Initiative (Andre).

Andre Daugavietis will investigate.

-Property for sale on Roberts among Green Space properties (Jay)

The property is on the north side of Roberts (#16 on GIS) and is probably undevelopable by current standards. Beverly Shores owns property to west. It was proposed to send donation letters to owners with undevelopable properties that abut current Green Space.

-Potential for "land swap" with private property owner near Green Space properties (Andre)

Discussion ensued about the advisability of transferring ownership of Green Space to private owners in a "land swap". Consensus was that this is not consistent with the Green Space mission.

-Proposal for spring/summer re-treatment for invasives regrowth on GS Parcel #33 (on Ripplewater across from Lituania Park) (Jay)

Spaulding proposed retreatment of GS Parcel #33. The committee recommended not to pursue retreatment at this time.

- Public Comment

Mary Ann Zolis, 15 E. Fairwater commented on her experience removing garlic mustard from a Green Space property.

- Green Space Committee Comment

None

- Adjournment

Sharon Carnes moved to adjourn

Jay Fahn second the motion.

Sharon Carnes – Yes

Andre Daugavietis - Yes

Jay Fahn - Yes

Jim Hoey - Yes

Dale Nichols – Yes via Google Meet

Candice Peterson-Smith - Yes

David Pizza –3rd consecutive virtual attendance, non-voting

Adjourned at 4:13 PM.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-9 section 6, the following current Town of Beverly Green Space Committee Members names, appointing authority and their appointment terms are as follows:

Sharon Carnes appointed by the Beverly Shores Town Council to serve a term commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026.

Andre Daugavietis appointed by the Beverly Shores Town Council to serve a term commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026.

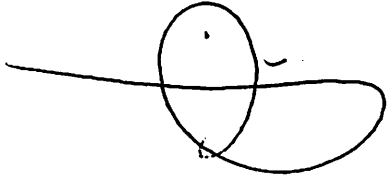
Jay Fahn appointed by the Beverly Shores Town Council to serve a term commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026.

Jim Hoey appointed by the Beverly Shores Town Council to serve a term commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2028.

Dale Nichols appointed by the Beverly Shores Town Council to serve a term commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2028.

Candice Peterson-Smith appointed by the Beverly Shores Town Council to serve a term commencing January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2027.

David Pizza appointed by the Beverly Shores Town Council to serve a term commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2028.

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