



**Natural Features
Protection Review
Board
Minutes
July 22nd, 2025
Held at City Hall
Commission Chambers 4:00 p.m.**

A. Call to Order: Director Frederickson called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Members absent: Director Murgia, Director Martin, Director Bassett

1. Excuse Absent Board Members: The motion to excuse absent board members was made by Director Fredrickson and supported by Director Hollander, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda made by Director Hollander, supported by Director Stemple, motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from June 24th, 2025, NFP Review Board Meeting made by Director Hollander, supported by Director Rowe, motion passed unanimously.

D. General Citizen Comments

E. Board Comments

No comments



F. New Business

Question?

Public Comments:

Asking for information on 322 Stockbridge, Edison Neighborhood Association will hold a meeting in their Neighborhood. NFP doesn't have any updates on Agendas and Minutes on the City's website since 2023, and we will look into. Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of every month and the updated Agenda's and Meeting minutes are located on the City Clerk's page. [Minutes & Agendas City of Kalamazoo](#)

Unfinished Business

1. NFP Board Work Session – Nolan presented a short Presentation of the newest information.
2. Tree Committee is for public right-of-way trees and NFP is for private development, checking with Forestry to see if we can get someone to come in and speak to us concerning the tree list and how we can standardize them for both committees and update the Tree Ordinances for the City. Director Fredrickson brought up that we have to be careful on a tree list that is provided and approved because we could get everyone using the same 5 plants and then it would could reverse the issue and have a monoculture. She stated it might be an extreme example but just an example but will want to avoid invasives.
3. Discussion of NFP Guide, focusing on helping developers navigate requirements. Emphasizes the importance of providing clear guidance and resources to improve the development process.
4. The City of Kalamazoo GIS tool can be very helpful to someone that wants to look up background of the area where they want to develop.
5. Director Hollander brought up that being on the other side of a project it should be clearer as a procedure, process and costs for applicants.

Staff Reports and Update

None

Communications and Announcements:

The Kalamazoo Paddle for the Planet, 15 years after the oil spill event, was held Saturday, July 26th at Historic Bridge Park, Waddles Road in Battle Creek at 9 am

Adjourn Meeting

Director Fredrickson adjourned the meeting at 4:59 pm