

**CITY OF WINCHESTER
NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

**From the meeting on April 19, 2012
4th Floor Rouss City Hall
5:30 P.M.**

- I. Chair David Worthington welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Present from the NRAB were Mr. Gerald Crowell, Mr. Jim Giraytys, Mr. Worthington & Dr. Bousquet. Staff present was Tom Hoy.**
- II. Approval of March 22, 2012 minutes-Motion made to accept minutes of January 26, 2012 by Mr. Crowell & seconded by Dr. Bousquet; motion carried 4 to 0.**
- III. Review of past action items-in a review conducted by Mr. Worthington it was determined that the past action items would be covered in the agenda.**
- IV. Tree Canopy Initiative- Tom Hoy was to check with Mr. Williams, the City Attorney on requirements of notifying the media for meetings of the Tree Canopy Initiative.**
- V. Tree Commission Liaison Report – Mr. Crowell commented on the Arbor Day Celebration to be held at Rotary Field in Jim Barnett Park on Friday, April 20, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. This is the 30th year The City of Winchester has been designated a Tree City, USA.**
- VI. Abrams Creek Wetlands Preserve-Chair David Worthington sent a letter thanking Brad Veach, Director, & the Parks & Recreation Board on taking swift action on the Abram’s Creek Wetlands Preserve Encroachment issues. Mr. Bousquet requested that copies of this letter be issued to the NRAB members and Mr. Worthington agreed.**
- VII. Update on Shenair actions – Mr. Giraytys discussed a free wind sensor Shenair has obtained to determine readings.**
- VIII. New Items – A Tree Canopy workshop in Washington, D.C. was discussed. Chair Worthington agreed to distribute information about this to all NRAB Members.**

IX. Assign Action Items for May Meeting - The NRAB members agreed-upon action items (they appear at the end of these minutes).

X. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:13 p.m.

**NRAB ACTION ITEMS:
FROM MEETING ON April 19, 2012**

NO.	ACTION ITEM:	ASSIGNED TO:	TARGET DATE:	STATUS:
1	Get with Brad after he reviews the Notes from meetings with Jim Lawrence.	Jim Lawrence	5-17-12	
2	Check with Tony Williams on notifying about meetings of Tree Canopy Initiative.	Tom Hoy	4-30-12	
3	Press Release & notify parties of meeting on 5-17-12	Tom Hoy	4-30-12	
4	Tree Topping Insert Draft	Gerald Crowell	5-15-12	
5	Determine Planting Days for next year.	Jim Lawrence	5-17-12	
6	Call Brad about Filming in Abrams Creek Preserve.	Woody Bousquet	5-17-12	
7	Distribute information on Tree Canopy Workshop in Washington D.C.	David Worthington	4-30-12	