MEETING NOTES
Lighthouse Landing Complex Committee
Wednesday, March 9, 2016
1:30 pm
Evanston Ecology Center
2024 McCormick Blvd.

Members Present: Alderman Eleanor Revelle, Pam Elesh, Ann McMahon, Matt Poole, Don Terras, Paul D'Agostino,

Members Absent: Sue Durburg,

Guests: David Guran, Linda Damashek, Barb Janes, Mary Rosinski

Meeting notes for September 9, 2015 meeting were approved.

Committee Member Reports

Lighthouse Park District
Don Terras stated everything went well over the winter and nothing to report.

Garden Club of Evanston
Pam Elesh reported that Club members are awaiting certification of the butterfly garden by the National Wildlife Foundation. The Alderman then explained the certification process to the Committee. Pam mentioned that there has not been much happening since the gardens were put to bed last fall and that Club members will be doing the annual spring cleanup soon.

Ecology Center
Matt Poole stated that last fall’s programs had gone well and that spring programming will focus on the fire ring. Ecology staff will be offering a new program for Girl Scout merit badges this year. Summer programming is still being planned.

Neighborhood Issues
Ann McMahon noted that it had been very quiet at the site over the winter, but there was a fallen tree from the dune area that was now laying partially on her property. The City will schedule the tree to be removed soon. She also said that there were new construction lights installed on Northwestern’s campus that shined directly through her windows and that they remained on 24 hours a day. The Alderman said she would address this with the university.
Evanston Parks/Forestry
Paul D’Agostino reported that the remaining stumps on the property were scheduled to be removed later this spring, as well as additional tree removals and cleaning up any fallen trees on the property.

Alderman Revelle
The Alderman told the Committee about the May 1st event to be held at Ladd Arboretum and the community’s efforts to become certified by planting 400 newly donated trees at the site using volunteers.

Public Comments
General comments included a broken window on the third floor of the H. C. mansion, mistakes on prior meeting minutes on the website, potential expansion of the dune area, current status of the future of H. C. mansion, the potential to restore the coach house apartments to generate revenue, and prior grants applied for to fund various site building restorations.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2016
(note date change)