

Meeting date September 27/2022

OACAC Working Group Reports

Wildlife Working Group Meeting

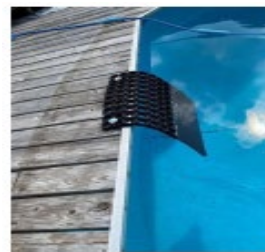
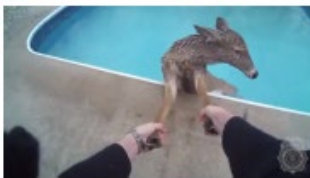
Recommendations of the Working Group included within the report.

Pool Safety Devices

Posters were received and distributed to Pool supply stores, and past clients who Wild Earth Refuge has worked with in regards to their pools.

The information was appreciated. Many had not thought of the idea.

There are posters remaining that will be distributed at an earlier time in the season when people are opening their pools in 2023.



This educational poster is prepared by the Oshawa Animal Care Advisory Committee, a volunteer committee that advises and educates City Council and the community. Items featured in this poster, including Pup Plank, Skamper Ramp and Frog Log, are the property of their respective companies. Inclusion does not represent an endorsement by the Oshawa Animal Care Advisory Committee or the City of Oshawa. More information: www.oshawa.ca/wildlife.

Bat houses

Two of these specialized bat houses will be made and mounted. Inside temperatures and occupants (bats) will be monitored, as well as white nose bat syndrome.

A Budget is being requested of \$300. Wood has increased its price. Type of wood we can use are Pine, oak or hickory. The gentleman making them is donating his time.

Matt Holder Environmental fund has been approached, requesting that the Wildlife Group work with their researchers. Wild Earth Refuge has worked with Matt in rescuing bats. <https://mattholderfund.com/>

An example of a bat house



Motion to add to the agenda for the Wildlife working group.

A monthly newsletter (Funletter) featured on the City of Oshawa's website about wildlife. Used for education and events, with the option to be shared. eg. coloring contests, myths and facts on species. How certain species survive the winter, best photo, etc.

This news letter can be designed easily through Adobe.

More details will be explained at the meeting.

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This motion request is for this location only.

General Motors owns this land.

Located at McLaughlin Bay Wildlife reserve you'll find many endangered birds nesting, deer, foxes, rabbits etc.

There is a sign when you go through the east entrance on the wall that indicates there are no dogs allowed. This sign is not noticed by people choosing to travel down the path with their dogs. I have spoken to many people with dogs and given them alternatives.

The Wildlife group is asking that a visible sign be posted in front of the entrance where people can plainly see the information, and the entrance made to be more visibly pleasing.



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