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CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Chairperson Jeanine Offer Krupp, Co- Chairperson Laura Murphy, Secretary Sue Butala
Members: **Tammy Byers, Julia Johnson, Sandra Montes, Rachel Williams, Tracy Gottschalk**
City Council Liaison: Jessica Clauser
Student Liaisons: Emma Loosvelt

400 Sixth Street	**February 11, 2026**	**7:00 pm**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm. Members present – Sue Butala, Tracy Gottschalk, Julia Johnson, Jeanine Offer Krupp, Others present: Nik Bando, Emma Loosvelt, Linda Smith (Autobahn Bird City Michigan Coordinator), Samanyu Shivakumara
2. Motion to approve minutes from January 2026 was postponed due to lack of a quorum present.
3. Miscellaneous:
    - Possibility of Rochester becoming a Bird City Conversation led by Linda Smith. A bird city is a community that has been recognized for its work to create and protect habitat, reduce threats to birds, educate and engage people and promote sustainability. Suggested locations for bird houses include Howlett Park, the wet meadow, community garden, or cemeteries.
    - Eagle Scout Samanyu is considering a project that could support Rochester becoming a Bird City, possibly building bird houses.
    - The handicap bench to be located under the shelter in the all accessible park should be ordered around April 1.
4. April 22, 2026, is the tentative date for an Arbor Day event.
5. Next meeting is March 11, 2026.
6. Meeting adjourned at 7:45