

**CITY OF LAKE SAINT LOUIS
GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 28, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Lake Saint Louis Civic Center Board Conference Room.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chairman Ed Young, Vice Chairman Scott Ellis, Ann Finklang, and Dianne Kallunki-Baniak. Also present: Steve Schertel Director of Community Development, and Brenda Cueller, acting as recording secretary.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Young called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA:

Committeewoman Finklang made a motion to approve the June 28, 2013, Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Kallunki-Baniak and the motion carries.

THE JUNE 28, 2013 GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA IS HEREBY APPROVED, AS NOTED ABOVE.

MINUTES: May 31, 2013

Committeewoman Finklang stated on Page 1, under "In Attendance", her last name was incorrectly spelled:

"Absent: Committeewoman Ann ~~Finklang~~ **Finklang**."

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

Vice Chairman Ellis made a motion to approve the May 31, 2013 Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Finklang and the motion carries.

THE AMENDED MINUTES FROM THE MAY 31, 2013 GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING IS HEREBY, AS NOTED ABOVE.

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GENERAL DISCUSSIONS:

1. INTRODUCTION – ALDERMAN MEMBER

Chairman Young stated that the Mayor has not appointed a Board of Aldermen liaison for the Committee. He said he will request that an appointment be made to the Committee.

2. 2013 BUDGET ITEMS

Chairman Young stated he asked Brenda Cueller, Recording Secretary, to order two (2) 7-bike racks. The order has been placed and when the racks arrive, one will be placed at Boulevard Park and the other one placed at Hawk Ridge Park. It was noted that the Parks & Recreation Department will install the racks.

The Committee had a discussion regarding the location at each park of where the bike racks should be placed.

Chairman Young said the other item budgeted was for printing of stickers stating “no trash” to be placed on outdoor recycle bins.

3. UPDATE ON THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT GRANT

Vice Chairman Ellis said that Linda Adams with the Solid Waste Management District Grant came and saw the dumpsters and was satisfied. He noted that all recycling bins need to be stickered and there was a brief discussion regarding the placement of stickers.

4. COMMUNICATION UPDATE

Committeewoman Kallunki-Baniak said she would post an ad for a new member to the Green Environmental Advisory Committee in July. She said we should verbally try to recruit people who may be interested.

Committeewoman Finklang stated that Andrea Harper has a website called St. Louis Green. She said there is good information on recycling and this would be another thing businesses can sign on. Committeewoman Finklang noted that this might be a way to incorporate all businesses and make more people aware of it.

5. ELECTRONICS RECYCLING (9/28/2013)

Chairman Young said The Meadows has a music concert once a month throughout the summer and he saw Bridget Geiss handing out fliers regarding the recycling

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event in September. He stated that we should have something on the City's website in August regarding the recycling event in September.

Vice Chairman Ellis said that St. Charles County has WITS doing a drop-off recycle event the third Friday of every month between 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Committee had a discussion of other recycle events and thought this information should be placed on the City's website.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Young said he asked the Committee members to come with ideas for the Committee to work on at this meeting. The following items were presented: Hiking/biking; water quality of the lakes; ask the City's Board of Aldermen what the Committee can help them with; find someone to adopt a stream team; solar panels; porous concrete; Page Avenue Extension placed on the City's website.

Chairman Young stated he went on a Cuivre River sponsored tour about solar panels on homes and gave a brief report.

There Committee discussed the items presented and solar energy.

7. NEW BUSINESS – NEW MEMBER

Chairman Young said the Committee needs a new member and a Board liaison.

8. DISCUSSION OF "TO DO" LIST, LONG-TERM ACTION PLAN, AND ANY NEW INITIATIVES FOR THE COMMITTEE

To Do List:

- Improve Committee website
- Implement recommendations for City Hall operation and staff activities to reduce energy use and carbon emissions.
- Expand this energy analysis for other Lake Saint Louis buildings and households.
- Inform and educate the community through the website and articles in Newstime and The Happenings.
- Help to conserve green space, trees, and bike paths in the community.
- Consider storm water management plan and other water quality issues.
- Inform residents regarding utilization of pesticides and fertilizers on their lawn.
- Assist City staff in application for energy efficiency and other sustainability grants.
- Learn about City ordinances and building codes that promote energy efficiency and "green" living.
- Amend ordinance regarding landscaping plans to encourage use of native plants.

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- Promote more participation in recycling in City.
- Promote greater use by the City and individuals of compact fluorescent lights (CFL).
- Establish a safe disposal location for CFL's.
- Investigate reuse of yard wastes collected in the City.
- Place home kwh measuring devices in local libraries.

LONG-TERM ACTION PLAN:

- Provide "green" recommendations to the Board of Aldermen and City Staff, including energy conservation, recycling program, green space preservation, transportation choices, and enhanced water quality practices.
- Establish long-term practices for education of citizens for green/sustainable living.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting is Wednesday, August 28, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in the Lake Saint Louis Civic Center Board Conference Room.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Approved

Brenda Cueller
Serving as recording secretary of the meeting