

**CITY OF LAKE Saint Louis  
GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 29, 2012**

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, Keith Stone, and Alderman John George Rich, Steve Schertel Director of Community Development.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Young called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA:**

Vice Chairman Ellis made a motion to approve the June 29, 2012 Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Finklang and the motion carries.

THE AGENDA FROM THE JUNE 29, 2012 GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA IS HEREBY APPROVED, AS NOTED ABOVE.

**MINUTES: April, 2012**

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:**

Committeeman Stone made a motion to approve the April 27, 2012 Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Ellis and the motion carries.

THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 27, 2012 GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING IS HEREBY APPROVED, AS NOTED ABOVE.

**GENERAL DISCUSSIONS:**

1. Steve Schertel will have the position on the committee posted on the city website for Dana Delibovi.
2. **PRESENTATION OF A COOPERATIVE RECYCLING PROJECT FOR BICYCLES:** Tim Cantrell of Lake Saint Louis City discussed with the committee that Saint Louis Bicycle

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Works and Lake Saint Louis will host a bicycle recycling event for children on Saturday July 14<sup>th</sup>. The event will be at the Meadows from 8:00 AM till noon.

***RECYCLE GRANT UPDATE: Vice Chairman Ellis told the committee that the fourth quarter report has been sent to the Solid Waste Management District. We have until the end of 2012 to spend the remaining grant funds on the two information brochures and perhaps more outside recycle containers. Vice Chairman Ellis needs to work on the residential brochure. Christian Environmental Services needs to work on the commercial brochure. Fifty outside recycle containers are out and gathering recyclables in City parks, Community Association marinas and other facilities, and Lake Forest Country Club grounds. We still are waiting for Christian Environmental Services to place information stickers (purchased with grant funds) on residential recycle containers in use.***

3. Storm water update - Alderman George Rich said the City continues to look for funds for needed infrastructure repairs and updates. The committee found past presentations by Derek and Maria (LSL Public Works) helpful for understanding needs. Display rain garden and bio retention areas (and information signs) in Boulevard Park are helpful for citizens and contractors. City should consider an information packet about these and give out, if not already done. Also, City should consider an ordinance permitting/regulating rain barrels for residents and businesses. Vice Chairman Ellis and Chairman Young sometime this summer will install leftover "drain to lake" plaques of storm water covers and around the little lake. More of these plaques may need to be purchased to add to all covers around both lakes currently missing this warning.
4. Communication update - Chairman Young announced committeewoman Dana Delibovi has resigned due to family and work concerns. Committeewoman Delibovi did great work for the committee, especially her "Caring for our City" brochure. Vice Chairman Ellis will write an article for distribution about the results of the Recycle Grant once the new information brochures are ready to be mailed out. We need to replace Committeewoman Delibovi on the committee.
5. Green Business update - Committeewoman Finklang shared a draft of a simpler survey. She plans to revise this after receiving committee comments. Vice Chairman Ellis will help her. Alderman Rich thought this was a great idea. Vice Chairman Ellis suggested adding an item about bicycle racks.
6. Old business - Electronics Recycling and Appliances Recycling event update - This event is scheduled for Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at the Meadows with WITS. Chairman Young stated he still has not received an answer about the paper

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shredding component, if it would be available.

7. New business - Alderman George Rich was given a chance to talk to the committee about his take on City Environmental needs. He said that the committee should spend some time on learning about and recommending “sustainable” activities that save citizens and businesses money and time, in addition, of course, to conserving natural resources and energy. He also talked about the need to recommend a biodegradable cleaning product for homes, docks, boats and buildings. Finally, he mentioned the Aldermen have placed in the new budget \$1500 for the committee to use in efforts to promote “green” activities for the City. Committee Members thanked him. Committee Chair Young said that he looked forward to working with Alderman Rich as a new member of the Committee. Vice Chairman Ellis said that the committee continued to need input from the Board of Aldermen and City staff about environmental issues and needs.

***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.
- 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.

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- Establish long-term practices for education of citizens for green/sustainable living.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting is Friday, July 27, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the Lake Saint Louis Civic Center Board Conference Room.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:10 a.m.

*Approved*

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Chairman Ed Young  
Serving as recording secretary of the meeting