

**CITY OF LAKE SAINT LOUIS  
GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 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, Dianne Kallunki-Baniak, and Alderman John Pellerito. 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 August 28, 2013, Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Kallunki-Baniak and the motion carries.

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

**MINUTES: June 28, 2013**

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:**

Committeewoman Finklang made a motion to waive the reading of the June 28, 2013 Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Ellis and the motion carries.

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

**GENERAL DISCUSSIONS:**

1. ***INTRODUCTION – ALDERMAN MEMBER***

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Chairman Young welcomed Alderman Pellerito to the Committee as the Board of Aldermen liaison. He noted that Alderman Pellerito was the original founder of the Committee.

**2. 2013 BUDGET ITEMS**

Chairman Young stated all the money budgeted for the Committee has been used noting that bike racks and stickers were purchased with the money among other items.

Chairman Young said a list for future items needs to be done for budgeted money.

**3. UPDATE ON THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT GRANT**

Vice Chairman Ellis said the Solid Waste Management District Grant report is behind us and the Committee should move ahead to a new project.

Committeewoman Finklang asked if everything was complete regarding this project.

Vice Chairman Ellis stated there may be other items that show up further down the road that will need to be attended to such as the labels on the residential recycling bins. He noted that this is an ongoing project to complete.

The Committee further discussed the placing of stickers on the residential recycling bins.

**4. COMMUNICATION UPDATE**

Committeewoman Kallunki-Baniak said she would advertise for a new Committee member in Newstime.

Chairman Young said the upcoming recycling event needed to be posted on the City's website along with being placed in Newstime, Patch, Mid Rivers Magazine, and Community News.

Chairman Young also noted that his phone number listed on the City's website under "City News" in the Green Environmental Advisory Committee section has an old number and requested that his new number be placed.

**5. ELECTRONICS RECYCLING (9/28/2013)**

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Chairman Young said everything is ready for the event and that Cuivre River Electric will again provide the forklift. Chairman Young stated that Bridget Geiss with The Meadows has the event on their agenda and calendar, and Angie Hauss with WITS will set up similar to how they have for previous recycling events. Chairman Young said that Ms. Hauss will provide him with a contact person. It was noted that this will be the fifth year the City has had this electronic recycling event. Chairman Young said a meeting needs to be set up with Bridget regarding the event. Time of the event will be from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Chairman Young said there will not be a meeting next month because the Committee will be working at the event in September.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

Chairman Young said the City ordinances need to be looked through to verify if it addresses solar panels, and if not, make a recommendation to the Board of Aldermen to address solar energy in the City. Cuivre River Electric does not have any incentives for solar panels. It was noted that the federal government does have incentives.

The Committee had a general discussion of incentives that are available for solar energy usage.

Alderman Pellerito said research needs to be done on how older homes can be set up to utilize solar panels.

Vice Chairman Ellis said a vendor who installs solar panels should be invited to the October meeting to address the Committee along with Keith Stone at Cuivre River Electric Cooperative.

Vice Chairman Ellis stated he would like to keep the following items on the list for future projects:

- Water quality in the lakes.
- Hiking and bike trails.
- Request to help City staff and/or Board of Aldermen.

**7. NEW BUSINESS – NEW MEMBER**

Alderman Pellerito said he may have a new member who is into recycling and the environment.

Alderman Pellerito said he has volunteered this Committee to help with coming up with a plan on where curb inlet screens should be placed in the City. He

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noted that not all curb inlets can be screened but stated that some curb inlet screens on Dauphine Drive have been placed. Alderman Pellerito said once the Committee has a plan on which streets to have them placed, he will forward this information to Derek Koestel, Director of Public Works. Once he has Derek's comments back, he would like to present the information to the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Pellerito said the second item is that he would like to get the Committee involved in the WWF Earth Hour City Challenge. He said the Earth Hour City Challenge recognizes cities for adopting renewable energy and preparing for climate-related severe weather. Mr. Pellerito said joining is easy and participating cities will be eligible to compete for three \$30,000 grants. This project comes up with innovations to obtain a \$30,000 grant in 2014. There are two main points: community transition and deployment in residential panels. He said it would require an application and some data from approximately 1 year greenhouse emissions. Derek Koestel, Director of Public Works, would have the information that would be needed.

**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.
- 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.

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***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:**

There will not be a meeting next month because of the Electronics Recycling Event at The Meadows on Saturday, September 28, 2013. The next meeting after the Electronic Recycling Event will be Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

*Approved*

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Brenda Cueller  
Serving as recording secretary of the meeting