

**CITY OF LAKE SAINT LOUIS
GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 30, 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, Dianne Kallunki-Baniak, and Alderman John Pellerito. Absent: Committeewoman Ann Finklang. Also present: Steve Schertel Director of Community Development, **Mike Pavlakes Chief Building Official**, Derek Koestel, Director of Public Works, and Brenda Cueller, acting as recording secretary. Henry Rentz attended as a guest speaker as noted below.

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 October 30, 2013, Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Kallunki-Baniak and the motion carries.

THE OCTOBER 30, 2013 GREEN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA IS HEREBY APPROVED, AS NOTED ABOVE.

MINUTES: August 28, 2013

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

Vice Chairman Ellis made a motion to approve the August 28, 2013 Green Environmental Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Committeewoman Kallunki-Baniak and the motion carries.

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

GENERAL DISCUSSIONS:

1. ***INTRODUCTION SPEAKER ON SOLAR PANELS***

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Henry Rentz, President of Missouri Valley Renewable Energy, gave his history of starting a business of renewable energy by installing solar panels. Mr. Rentz stated the public needs to reduce their dependency on power companies and generate their own energy which also protects the environment. He said there are tax credits and rebates in Missouri for people and businesses who utilize solar powered products. Mr. Rentz suggested that the City may want to do demographics on the interest of its citizens regarding a green community. Mr. Rentz briefly mentioned what other cities are doing (especially Columbia, Missouri) regarding reusable energy. He explained the return on investment when installing solar power and stated that solar panels have a 25 year warranty with 10 years on all the equipment. He noted that installation takes a couple of days.

Steve Schertel, Director of Community Development, asked Mr. Rentz if he knew of any good ordinances allowing solar panels while protecting the appearance of the home or business. Mr. Rentz did not know of any but Aldermen Pellerito said that Columbia should have some ordinance in their Codes. The Committee had a general discussion regarding solar energy asking Mr. Rentz more questions about the additional loads on the roof, maintenance needs, and rebates.

2. INTRODUCTION DEREK KOESTEL

Derek Koestel, Director of Public Works, stated City Staff has installed seven (7) inlet screens on Lake Saint Louis Boulevard and two (2) inlet screens on Picardy Drive. He noted that single bar screens have been installed on all inlets along Dauphine Drive and inlets on the streets in The Shoppes at Hawk Ridge this past summer. Mr. Koestel stated how often the inlet covers are cleared – after a significant rain and drive-by views of the screens. He noted the type of materials collected at the inlets. Mr. Koestel discussed the type of inlet screens available, cost, installation, and type of maintenance required.

Alderman Pellerito asked Mr. Koestel where he thought the City should install additional screens, cost, installation, and maintenance to forward with a recommendation to the Board of Aldermen.

Mr. Koestel said if the City wanted to place more screens the candidate locations should be directly connected to the lake or a significant channel or if there is significant flooding in a location.

The Committee had a general discussion regarding inlet screening and planned to make a recommendation for the Board of Alderman at the next committee meeting.

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3. ***2013 BUDGET ITEMS***

The Committee was informed that the Board has established its budget for the next fiscal year and GEAC will have \$1,500.

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

Chairman Young briefly updated the Committee on the Solid Waste Management District Grant and noted all but one dumpster has been placed. He said the Committee should start working on a 2015 grant year.

Steve Schertel, Director of Community Development, stated there were some details with the placement of the recycling dumpsters. The City temporarily waived the screening requirements for those dumpsters to allow the places that received them to see if they were worthwhile or not. The waiving of screening requirements will end at the end of this year. Mr. Schertel said starting January 1st the City will need to decide whether to enforce screening on these dumpsters or extend the waiver of screening requirements.

The Committee discussed the recycling dumpsters and their screening.

5. ***COMMUNICATION UPDATE***

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

Chairman Young said the event went very well. There were over 200 drop offs from cars and trucks with just over \$1,300 in cash donations. Two (2) 53-foot trailers were filled and one (1) 15-foot box truck was filled. Chairman Young said the Committee needs to start reviewing different vendors for next year's event. He noted that WITS did not treat us too well and briefly informed the Committee on those issues.

7. ***OLD BUSINESS***

8. ***NEW BUSINESS – NEW MEMBER***

Alderman Pellerito stated he thought he had an interested party until they found out that they would have a monthly meeting to attend. Committeewoman Finklang appears to have a new person but they are out of town this month.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 20th at 9:00 a.m.

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ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Approved

Brenda Cueller
Serving as recording secretary of the meeting