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MINUTES

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

February 16, 2011 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to order to establish a Quorum

Dan Beebe called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call- Nick Fuller, Bob Blaus, Steve Carrow, Steve Timbrook, Dan Beebe

Tim Wilcox, Street Superintendent and Dan Rice from SIMS were also present.

Established a quorum

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Environmental Commission Meeting of December 15, 2010

Tabled Minutes until after Dan Rice presentation. Upon returning to the minutes Steve Carrow updated his comments on the December Meeting and will send an email with notes to be included.

B. Environmental Commission Meeting of January 19, 2010

Bob Blaus approved and Steve Carrow seconded.

3. Review and Discuss Commission Priority List

A. Current List

Guest Speaker from SIMS

Dan Rice from SIMS was at the meeting to talk about their potential role in a West Chicago recycling events. SIMS has 4 e-Recycling certifications. Company Strives for zero landfill and zero export. SIMS received awards for being in the top 100 sustainable organizations in 2009, 2010. On Earth Day they have an open door for community recycling. They extended on invitation for the commission to tour the facility.

Dan indicated the company has a policy of 15 days from collection to shredding. The West Chicago facility does handle shredding. During recycling events they handle for free the manpower, collection, transportation and shredding. They maintain complete control of the e-recycle portion of the take back event to limit liability. City provides traffic direction and help keep drivers in cars.

Computers are locked down in on-site trailers and all will be removed the day of the event. Have experience doing Mchenry County, IL, Niles, IL and Lee County, IL. Dan will advise us on whether SIMS will collect batteries and small appliances.

Christmas Lights

On track and doing well.

B. New Additions

Meeting Minutes

Steve Carrow requests more actions items present in the minutes.

Recycle Event

SIMS - Dan Beebe needs to follow up with SIMS about contract statement and get information on batteries and small appliances. Also follow up with SIMS to determine if we could possible do it on their property since this requires only advertisement on the city's part.

Public Affairs

Dan Beebe will get us on the agenda for the next public affairs meeting. 90 days prior to a city event for approval.

Landscape

All members were to review Nick Fuller's landscape recommendations.

C. Adjournment

Dan entertained a motion for the meeting to be adjourned, Bob moved for the meeting to be adjourned. Steve seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:57 P.M.