

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved 1/15/2014

MINUTES

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

October 16, 2013 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum

Meeting called to order by Dan Beebe at 7:00 PM. In attendance were Dan Beebe, Bob Blaus, Mike Ferguson, John Symowicz, Laura Barron and Steve Carrow.

Also in attendance was Street Superintendent Tim Wilcox and guest Kris Zimmermann.

2. Approval of minutes

A. Environmental Commission Meeting of September 18, 2013

Minutes for September 18, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

3. Review and Discuss Commission Priority List

A. Current List

Grease collection

The city has committed to participate in the grease collection event on Nov. 30. Drop off location is city hall parking lot. Dan Beebe will be at the event to monitor drop offs. The city water plant contractor may agree to do year round. Tim will follow up with them to confirm if this is that case.

LEED

No discussion at this meeting. LEED will be top of the agenda at November meeting. Commission members were asked to review information and plan to decide wording for recommendation to the city.

Community garden

Laura had further discussions with Park District executive director Gary Major, and he sounds open to the idea of initiating a community garden program, but no specifics have been identified. Laura will scan and distribute to the commission members information she received from Jesse Felix on how to set up community gardens. Commission members agreed we might need to meet with him and discuss specifics, to see if this can move forward.

Recycling bin selection

It is up to City to select bin style, and locations but we would like to know what options are available. Tim will follow up with Groot and possibly others to get more information.

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Lighting Ordinance

Mike said he still has not received a copy of Homer Glen's new/revised ordinance in an editable format.

B. New Additions

There were no new additions.

4. Other Business

Mike Ferguson mentioned that there are some benches on HWY 59 near Gary's Mill road that are an eyesore and are not being maintained. Tim will find out who has jurisdiction to see if this can be dealt with.

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Bob Blaus, seconded by Laura Barron and approved at 8:00 PM