



## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **Evanston Environmental Board**

Thursday, May 9, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge, Room #2404

Members Present: Cherie Leblanc-Fisher, Wendy Pollock, Linda Young, Jerri Garl, Tom Klitzkie, Christopher Kucharczyk

Members Absent: Sarah Liddell

Staff Present: Kumar Jensen, Leslie Perez

Guests: Henry Rogers, Michael Berman

Presiding Member: Wendy Pollock

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#### **1. Declaration of Quorum**

W. Pollock called meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and a quorum was established.

#### **2. Public Comment**

No Public Comments

#### **3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April**

C. Kucharczyk motioned to accept minutes as amended, T. Klitzkie seconded, all approved.

#### **4. Announcements**

With the resignation of Scott Osborne, the Board will postpone any decision on the matter of selecting a new co-chair.

#### **5. 2019 Goal: Advance Implementation of the Climate Action and Resilience Plan (CARP)**

##### **Continuing**

##### **A. CARP Implementation Action Plan & Omnibus Process**

K. Jensen reports the first Omnibus approach will focus on grouping CARP actions as they relate to the City Code.

##### **B. Environmental Justice Ordinance**

J. Garl reports the Environmental Justice resolution will declare that environmental justice is the policy of the City and directs the City to develop an ordinance that

would include some type of assessment process for new projects or a petition process for existing conditions that require some form of mitigation.

### **C. City of Berkeley Single Use Foodware and Litter Reduction Ordinance**

C. Kucharczyk reports the State of Maine has banned the use of Styrofoam products.

### **New**

#### **A. CARP Performance Metrics**

K. Jensen shared some examples of performance metrics dash boards from other municipalities. C. Kucharczyk and L. young agreed to investigate and report back best practices in waste diversion in other municipalities and metrics for tracking progress. C. Leblanc-Fisher will investigate and report back on metrics for tracking progress on urban forest canopy goals.

#### **B. Simple Recycling Textile Collection Agreement**

Alderman Suffredin requested the Board revisit the simple textile collection program that was presented to the City Council last year. He would like the Board to review and provide comments. K. Jensen reminded the Board to review the City Council meeting from last year to gain insight into this issue as it relates to other businesses in the City. Mr. Jensen will provide board members with a link to the specific City Council discussion.

#### **C. Ban on all gas powered lawn equipment**

Alderman Revelle asked that the Board consider the possibility of a year-round ban on gas-powered leaf lawn equipment. T. Klitzkie agreed to investigate and report back, including getting in touch with a group in Wilmette that is also interested in this issue.

## **6. Updates**

### **A. Natural Areas Proclamation**

W. Pollock reports the Mayor made the proclamation at the Earth Day Celebration at the Clark Street Beach Bird Sanctuary.

## **7. Agenda and Assignments for Next Meeting**

W. Pollock outlined the next agenda and assignments for board members.

## **8. Adjournment**

C. Kucharczyk moved to adjourn the meeting, C. Leblanc-Fisher seconded. W. Pollock adjourned at 8:17 pm.

**Next Meeting – Thursday, June 13, 2019**