

MINUTES  
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION  
HELD AT CITY HALL  
MAY 12, 2011  
7:05 P.M.

- I. **Call to Order** Chair Latham called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call** Answering roll call were Commissioners Gubrud, Kata, Kostuch, Paterlini, Risser, Sierks, Thompson, Tucker, Zarrin, and Chair Latham.  
Absent: Commissioners Iyer and Pronove  
Staff Present: Secretary Timm
- III. **Approval of Meeting Agenda** Agenda was approved as written.
- IV. **Adoption of Consent Agenda. Motion made by Commissioner Sierks and seconded by Commissioner Gubrud approving the consent agenda.**
- V. **Community Comment.** No one appeared for comment.
- VI. **Report/Recommendations**
  - A. **Motion made by Commissioner Risser and seconded by Commissioner Sierks to approve Laura Eaton to the Air Quality Working Group. Motion carried unanimously.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sierks and seconded by Commissioner Gubrud to approve Bradley Hanson to the Energy Working Group. Motion carried unanimously.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Gubrud and seconded by Commissioner Thompson to remove Bob Genovese and Wendy Morris from the Education and Outreach Working Group. Motion carried unanimously.**
  - B. Chair Latham reported on the work session with City Council May 3, 2011. She explained that the Commissions would have a standardized agenda, minutes and by-laws. The meeting also included discussions on the filming of meetings, establishing Working Groups, Task Forces and Commission Orientations.
  - C. Chair Latham gave an overview of the outline for City Ordinances and Recommendations.
  - D. Commissioner Risser reported on the Air Quality Working Group. Commissioner Risser will ask Staff Liaison, Jesse Struve to get information and a price on "No Idling" signs. Commissioner Risser gave a report on the MNDOT Workshop she attended April 21, 2011.
  - E. Chair Latham reviewed the proposed press release regarding the July 31, 2011, Eco Yard and Garden Tour with commissioners. The press release was approved with some minor revisions.
  - F. Chair Latham reviewed the Green Corps Intern application submittal with commissioners. She asked that any commissioner with suggestions for intern projects contact Jesse Struve before June 1, 2011.
  - G. There was a discussion about the content of the EEC's part on the website. Jennifer Bennerotte will conduct meetings on the website to get input. Chair Latham appointed Commissioner Paterlini to represent the EEC at the meetings.

**Commissioner Paterlini made a motion seconded by Commissioner Zarrin to remove SageSteps.com from consideration for adding to the EEC's website. Motion carried unanimously.**

H. At this time the Edina portion of the GreenStep Cities website was reviewed on the internet. Chair Latham did the input and asked the commissioners to take time to review her entries.

I. There was no report by the Energy Working Group.

J. Commissioner Kostuch gave an update regarding the Procurement Policy.

K. Commissioner Paterlini will send invitations to the new commissioners to join the Google Groups.

**L. Commissioner Thompson recommended that EEC have a unit in the Edina 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and made a motion to use "Connecting Our Neighborhoods" as the theme of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade entry for EEC. Commissioner Tucker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

M. The Education and Outreach Working Group prepared a survey for Edina Public School Principals for completion. Commissioner Thompson shared the survey with Commissioners. There was a discussion about the questions and how to simplify the survey.

**Commissioner Thompson made a motion seconded by Commissioner Paterlini to simplify the survey and then send the survey to the Edina Public School Principals at the end of the 2011 school year. Motion carried unanimously.**

N. Commissioner Tucker gave an update of the Water Quality Working Group. The Blue Star Assessment has been completed with a total of 61% points. They will identify areas in Edina that will help gain percentage points.

O. Chair Latham gave a Recycling and Solid Waste Working Group Report. She reported that the Group attended the League of Women Voters Meeting regarding organized haulers and also reported they will attend a tour of St Paul District Energy in June.

#### ***VII. Correspondence and Petitions***

#### ***VIII. Chair and Commission Member Comments***

A. Chair Latham asked Secretary Timm to order commission badges for the Commissioners that did not have one. She will make a request through Jennifer Bennerotte, Communications Director.

B. Chair Latham reminded the Commissioners that Vice Chair Paterlini would like to resign as Vice Chair and would like another commissioner to step into the role. This item was tabled to the June 2011 meeting.

There being no further business on the Commission Agenda, Chair Latham declared the meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane M Timm  
Deputy City Clerk