

Fairfield City Environmental Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2009
Community Arts Center

Members: Karen Fields, chair
Christine Hacker
Mike Lane
Liz Hunter

Steve Welte
Veronica Craig
Greg Sunday

Ben Stickler, Parks and Recreation Representative
* Bob Breen, Parks Board Representative

* Excused Absence

* * Absent

Topic	Discussion	Action
Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 5:25 by the chair	
Attendance		As above
Approval of minutes	Minutes of July meeting.	Approved
Standing Business 1. Correspondence /Articles/Publicity 2. Hours spent on ERCFC activities 3. Adopt-a-Roadway	1. Articles brought by Mike and Roni passed around and given to Ben. 2. Karen - 4'; Greg - 1 ½'; Liz - 1 ½'; Roni - 1'; Mike - 6'; Chris - 2 ½'; Steve - 3. Done on 7/9 by Greg and Liz. Roni volunteered to help Chris in Sept.	
Parks Board Report	No report	
Parks Dep't Report 1. Web Site Stats. 2. Memorial Tree Grove Update 3. Sustainability Plan 4. Tree Lottery 5. EAB Update 6. Tree Nursery 7. Beautification Project	1. No report. Ben will email stats to members 2. Upon approval by City Council at their July meeting, the grassy pavers were ordered and are expected to arrive in five to seven weeks. The installation will occur in Sept. and will be performed by a multi-departmental team including Parks Maintenance and Public Utilities with the help from the vendor. Tree removal will continue this summer and fall when crews are available, leaving the larger work for contractors. 3. The entire Master Plan is still being reviewed by City Council. 4. The deadline for entry is Sept. 29 th . Entry forms will be included in the Aug. newsletter and are still on the web. 5. Ash trees in front of the City Building, at Veterans Park, and the Golf Course were treated in July. Still no news from the state about the stimulus funding applied for in Feb. 6. No news 7. The City of Hamilton approved the proposed plan to plant two rows of trees (email of correspondence was attached to meeting handouts) along Muskopf Road. Ben is working on the final agreement and will be getting pricing soon. All is on schedule for planting this fall.	

Commissioner Reports 1. Back Yard Habitat Tour 2. Recycling Tour 3. Website Content 4. Bat House Workshop	1. Is scheduled for Sat., Aug 29 th from 11:00-1:00. 2. Mike will schedule. 3. Mike sent information to Ben 4. Steve has plans that were distributed to all members. Information about the workshop will be in the Aug. newsletter. Roni will arrange for a speaker for this workshop.	1. Chris will send all members an email with information about getting to this tour. 2. He will try for Oct. 24 th . 4. Will be held Oct. 10 th .
Other Business 1. Administrative 2. Communication	1. Logo discussed and decided on using the “e” with Fairfield Environmental Commission wrapped around the e. Long sleeved shirts for Commission members will be ordered when Logo is complete. 2. Newsletter will be coming out in Aug. with information about the tree lottery, Bat House Workshop and recycling. Chris has contacted Randy Oppenheimer about the Arbor Day Poster Project. He is passing the information onto the 5 th grade art teacher. Recycling in condos is difficult to publicize.	1. Karen and Mike will work on this. Ben will order shirts. 2. Chris will email Greg how to reach Randy Oppenheimer so he can contact him about next spring’s River Sweep. Liz will get a list of condo associations.
Calendar 1. Next EC Meeting 2. Parks Board Mtg 3. Energy Committee Meeting 4. Bat House Wkshp 5. Enright Ridge Eco Urban Village Tour	1. Sept. 2, 2009. 6:00pm CAC 2. Next week 3. Not scheduled 4. 10/10/09 10:00 am CAC 5. 8/29/09 11:00 am	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 6:15. Members reconvened on Green Street to test the Street Tree Inventory data gathering system	Ben demonstrated the use of the computer program using a laptop. Using this system will require that 2 people work together to do the inventory. Will decide how to proceed at next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Hacker