

**Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2015**

Meeting was called to order at 6:09 pm by Chairperson Dave Colteryahn

In Attendance:

Dave Colteryahn, chair
Greg LoBuono, vice-chair
Becky Montag
Tom Nault
Gwen Ritchie
Bob Schappacher, Parks and Recreation Representative

Absent:

Veronica Craig, Rita Rings, Rodney Spencer, Parks Board Liaison

With the recent resignations of Chuck Ullrich and Adam Sackenheim, there are two open positions on the Environmental Commission

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 6, 2015 meeting were reviewed without change but were not approved for lack of quorum

Standing Business

Correspondence/Articles:

Nothing was presented

Hours spent on EC activities:

Dave/5, Greg/4.5, Veronica/5, Tom/8, Gwen/6, Rita/2

Adopt-A-Roadway:

Gwen policed Muskopf twice during May

Parks Board Report - Rodney Spencer - Dean Bruewer

Bob made the report for Rodney. Dean Bruewer might be attending our summer meetings.

Parks Department Report - Bob Schappacher

Web Statistics

No statistics available. Will probably cease to be a standing business item in future

Joint Board Meeting with City of Hamilton May 14, 2015

Recap: Huffman Park tree marker pictures sent by Bob to Mark Murray

We learned much from their nursery practices

An annual meeting should be considered

Trees along Woodridge Boulevard

37 trees have been marked for removal by the City.

Property owners will be notified in advance and will be told that they are responsible for stump removal

Creekside Park and Living Legacy Tree Program

Parks planted two more trees today. Interest is picking up as the program becomes better known.

Bob commented on the profound impact this program has on participants.

Miscellaneous

Adam has resigned from the Environmental Commission since becoming a City employee and Chuck has resigned citing health reasons. Dave stressed that we want to promote full membership now instead of waiting until April 2016.

Commissioner Reports

Friends of Fairfield Forest - nomination form

Discussed potential nominations

Huffman Park and Tree Markers

Dave has completed this lengthy process and will prune trees as appropriate going forward.

Other Business

The Tree City sign on Gilmore in front of Bob Evans has been removed. It was suggested that it be relocated farther into Fairfield along Gilmore, possibly just past Mack Road.

Becky commented on the beauty of the public landscaping near the junction of Mack Road and Route 4 where the Peruvian restaurant burned down. She expressed appreciation for the City's role in offsetting what could otherwise be a bare construction site.

Calendar

Parks Board Meeting - June 21, 2015 at 6:00 pm

EC Meeting - July 1, 2015 at 6:00 pm, CAC

Meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm.