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City of Franklin Environmental Commission Meeting May 23, 2007

Approved as Corrected.

CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

Acting Chair Wilhelm called the regular meeting of the Environmental Commission to order at 7:05 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present Alderman Skowronski, Commissioners Cannon, Kaczor, Kowalski, and Sawicki. Commissioner Ahuja resigned. Planning Manager Dietl and Assistant City Engineer Romeis were also present.

CITIZEN COMMENT

No comments.

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A. Commissioner Kowalski moved and Commissioner Cannon seconded to table the April 11, 2007 and February 21, 2007 minutes of the Environmental Commission meeting. Motion carried.

April 11, 2007

B. Minutes tabled (see above).

BUSINESS

Introduction of the newly appointed Environmental Commission members.

A. No action needed; None taken.

Update on WIN Grant.

B. No action needed; None taken.

Summary of Arbor Day.

C. No action needed; None taken.

Open Wetland Fill Permits approved by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources within the City of Franklin.

D. Planning Manager Dietl will research possibility of forwarding any such future letters to the Environmental Commission.

Emerald Ash Borer.

E. Public Works Superintendent Schaefer not available to give an update on this item. Commissioner Cannon moved and Commissioner Sawicki seconded the motion to table. Motion carried.

Report on April 9, 2007 Parks Commission Meeting agenda item to Discuss procedures, policies and standards for trails in natural areas.

F. Alderman Skowronski will research City records for any resolutions pertaining to this matter.

Discussion about future Tifton Woods and Pleasant View Park trail.

G. No action needed; None taken.

Natural Resource Special Exception for Dr. Shahid Chughtai for the Rawson Office/Retail Center to encroach Natural Resource Features (located approximately 7211 West Rawson Ave.)

H. Commissioner Cannon moved and Commissioner Sawicki seconded the motion to have Vice Chair Wilhelm, with assistance from Commissioner Kowalski, write a favorable recommendation with conditions for approval to the Natural Resource Special Exception for Dr. Shahid Chughtai for the Rawson Office/Retail Center to encroach Natural Resource Features (located approximately 7211 West Rawson Ave.). It was also suggested that the applicant consider contacting and/or coordinating with adjacent property owners.

Natural Resource Special Exception for Icon Development for Whispering Woods Single-Family Subdivision Preliminary Plat to encroach Natural Resource Features (located approximately South 68th Street and Tuckaway Country Club).

I. Michael Krill, ICON Development presented information; Planning Manager Dietl summarized. Commissioner Sawicki moved and Commissioner Kowalski seconded the motion to suspend rules and later to return to the normal order of business. Both motions carried. Aldermanic and citizen comment were provided regarding the adjacent developers concerns to the tree line.

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Alderman Skowronski moved and Commissioner Cannon seconded the motion to have Vice Chair Wilhelm, with assistance from Commissioner Kowalski, write a favorable recommendation for the Natural Resource Special exception and for the item to be brought back to the Environmental Commission if changes affect the mitigation or resource impacts figures.

Natural Resource Exception for Edward and Janina Spidell for a Single-Family Residence to encroach existing delineated Natural Resource Features (located approximately 3112 West Yorkshire Cir.

J. Commissioner Cannon moved and Commissioner Sawicki seconded the motion to have Vice Chair Wilhelm, with assistance from Commissioner Kowalski, write a favorable recommendation with conditions to the Natural Resource Exception for Edward and Janina Spidell for a Single-Family Residence to encroach existing delineated Natural Resource Features (located approximately 3112 West Yorkshire Circle).

Extension of West Marquette Avenue And South Hillendale Drive to connect the Countryside Estates Subdivision to Pleasant View Elementary School.

K. Assistant City Engineer Romeis presented information. No action needed; None taken.

Goals, Targets and Projects of the Commission – Updates as appropriate:

- i.** Alternative storm water, wetland, woodland and mitigation measures.
- ii.** Educational program to implement control of Purple loosestrife.
- iii.** Review conservation subdivision options.
- iv.** Assist public through education on Smart growth.
- v.** City wide composting system.

L. No action needed; None taken.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:00 p.m., Alderman Skowronski moved and Commissioner Kaczor seconded to adjourn the May 23, 2007, meeting. Motion carried.