

CITY OF FRANKLIN
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
September 22, 2010

Approved
October 27, 2010

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

- I.** Chairman Ingersoll called the regular meeting of the Environmental Commission to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Hearing Room, Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

On roll call, the following were in attendance: Chairman Ingersoll, Alderman Schmidt, Commissioners Cannon, Kust, Carls, and Rindfleisch. Absent was Commissioner Ingebrigtsen. Also present was Planner II Sumwalt.

CITIZEN COMMENT

- II.** Citizen comment period opened at 7:03 p.m. and closed at 7:04 p.m. No one came forward to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting of July 28, 2010

- III.**
A. Commissioner Rindfleisch moved and Commissioner Cannon seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 28, 2010 as presented. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Regular meeting of August 25, 2010

Commissioner Rindfleisch moved and Commissioner Cannon seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 25, 2010 as presented. On voice vote, Commissioners Rindfleisch, Cannon, Ingersoll, and Alderman Schmidt voted 'aye'. Commissioners Carls and Kust abstained. Motion carried (4-0).

Special meeting of September 9, 2010

Commissioner Kust moved to approve the minutes of the Special meeting of September 9, 2010. Seconded by Alderman Schmidt. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Regulation regarding planting and preventative maintenance of wild flowers/natural prairies in residential areas.

- IV.**
A. Alderman Schmidt moved to table the subject matter of regulation regarding planting of wild flowers and natural prairies indefinitely. Seconded by Commissioner Kust. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Energy and Efficiency Community Block Grant Program.

- B.** Planner II Sumwalt spoke regarding the Energy and Efficiency Community Block Grant program. Commissioner Kust moved to table the item until further instructions from the Common Council. Seconded by Commissioner Carls. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Storm Drain Markers.

- C.** Alderman Schmidt moved and Commissioner Kust seconded a motion to table Storm Drain Markers pending the arrival of supplies to schedule a special meeting for action. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Rain garden public workshop.

- D.** Commissioner Kust moved and Alderman Schmidt seconded to table the Root River Watershed Protection Project: rain garden public workshop until Spring 2011. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Emerald Ash Borer City Policy Development.

- E.** Commissioner Kust reported that the next scheduled meeting of the Emerald Ash Borer Sub-Committee is September 27, 2010. Alderman Schmidt moved and Commissioner Rindfleisch seconded to table the discussion of the development of City policy to react to infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer until receipt of the report of results submitted to the Board of Public Works. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Green Roof: reduce storm water run-off.

- F. Alderman Schmidt moved to table the Green Roof: reduce storm water run-off agenda item until Spring 2011. Seconded by Commissioner Carls. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Natural Resource Features Special Exception by Edward M. & Janina S. Spidell

- V.
 - A. Planner II Sumwalt presented the request for Natural Resource Features Special Exception by Edward M. Spidell and Janina S. Spidell, to allow maintenance of a portion of the 30-foot wetland buffer on the property as mown turf grass, and to add shrub plantings to the 30-foot wetland buffer and enhancement plantings in the wetland, for property located at 3112 West Yorkshire Circle.

Alderman Schmidt moved to recommend approval of the request for Natural Resource Features Special Exception for Edward M. and Janina S. Spidell to mow 15 feet of a 30 foot setback provided that they are also agreeable to Items B. and C. as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Cannon. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Environmental Commission Administrative Rules & Procedures

- VI.
 - A. Discussion only on the Environmental Commission Administrative Rules and Procedures. No action needed, none taken.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

- VII. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental Commission is October 27, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

- VIII. Alderman Schmidt moved to adjourn the Environmental Commission meeting at 7:55 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Kust. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.