

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
SPECIAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
December 11, 2019**

Approved
January 22, 2020

**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL
CALL**

- I.** Chairman Arthur Skowron called the December 11, 2019 Special meeting of the Environmental Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Lower Level Conference Room, Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

On roll call, the following were in attendance: Chair Arthur Skowron, Vice Chair Wes Cannon, Commissioners Linda Horn, Patricia Pomahac and Ken Hritz and Alderman Dan Mayer. Commissioner Stephanie Flynn submitted her resignation as of November, 2019. Also present was Assistant Planner Marion Ecks.

CITIZEN COMMENT

- II.** The citizen comment period opened at 7:01 p.m. and closed at 7:01 p.m.. No citizens present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting of October 23, 2019.

- III.**
A. Commissioner Hritz moved and Vice Chair Cannon seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 23, 2019 per correction of spelling of We Energies, Section IV, D. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried (6-0-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Environmental articles for the City of Franklin Newsletter.

- IV.**
A. Discussion only. No action taken.

City of Franklin's National Night Out.

- B.** Discussion only. No action taken.

Ways to improve and expand Arbor Day 2020; involvement of local nurseries in the City's Arbor Day celebration; Arbor Day event(s) planning.

- C.** Discussion only. No action taken.

Potential inclusion and provision on the City website of all Environmental Commission meetings agenda packet materials, with and in addition to the meetings agendas as it currently is provided on the City website.

- D.** Discussion only. No action taken.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of library program presentation of “Reinventing Power” (from November 6, 2019).

V.

A. The “Renewable Energy Perspective” presentation at the Franklin Public Library on November 6, 2019 had 107 people in attendance, 93 Junior/Senior students from Franklin High School taking Environmental Science classes taught by Patrick Gain.

Speakers included:

Linda Horn of We Energies and a member of the Franklin Environmental Commission; Doug Wetjen and Brian Lambert, both of We Energies. Kirk Kindred of SunVest Solar, Inc., of Pewaukee.

Discussion only. No action taken.

Review of local renewable energy initiatives – City of Milwaukee Website (<https://city.milwaukee.gov/Climate-Action.htm>)

B.

Planner Ecks gave an overview of City of Franklin examples of climate change/renewable energy initiatives.

Discussion only. No action taken.

Overview of Open Meeting rules.

C.

Planner Ecks reviewed open meeting rules as it pertains to the City of Franklin Environmental Commission.

Discussion only. No action taken.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

VI.

A. January 22, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Notice is given that upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information, please contact the Franklin City Clerk’s office at (414) 425-7500.

VII.

Vice Chair Cannon moved and Commissioner Pomahac seconded to adjourn the Special Environmental Commission meeting on December 11, 2019 at 8:02 p.m.. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried (6-0-0).