# CITY OF FRANKLIN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES July 24, 2019

Approved August 12, 2019

# CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

I. Chairman Arthur Skowron called the July 24, 2019 regular 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 Patricia Pomahac, Linda Horn, Stephanie Flynn and Alderman Dan Mayer. Also present was Planning Manager Joel Dietl.

## CITIZEN COMMENT

**II.** The citizen comment period opened at 7:00 p.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m.. No citizens were present.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting of June 26, 2019.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Environmental articles for the City of Franklin Newsletter.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Natural Resource Features Special Exception application for portions of two properties, by Mills Hotel Wyoming, LLC, for the purpose of clearing, grading, filling and developing approximately 1.2 acres of mature woodlands (removal of approximately 70 trees) to create Bear Franklin subdivision, an 87 lot subdivision with 83 lots and 4 outlots, properties generally located at the southwest corner of West Ryan Road and South 112th Street, property 1 being zoned R-6 Suburban Single-Family Residence District (Tax Key No. 891-9009-000); property 2 being zoned R-2 Estate Single-Family Residence District and C-1

#### III.

A. Vice Chair Cannon moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 26, 2019 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Flynn. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried to approve as written (6-0-0).

# IV.

**A.** An article has been submitted recapping Arbor Day held May 4, 2019 at Franklin Public Library. Discussion only. No action taken.

# V.

- **A.** Motion made for approval of a Natural Resource Special Exception Application.
  - 1.) Subject to approval of a Conservation Easement;
  - 2.) Mitigation standards to be determined by Plan Commission and Common Council;
  - 3.) Inclusion of a woodland management plan for five years for the purpose of enhancing both woodland and wildlife succession.

Commissioner Pomahac moved to approve the Natural Resource Special Exception. Seconded by Alderman Mayer. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried. (6-0-0).

Conservancy District (Tax Key No. 892-9993-001).

Environmental elements and natural resources promotion, protection and maintenance education and participation programs and activities in the Community.

**B.** Forward to September agenda. 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.** Forwards to September agenda. Discussion only. No action taken.

Review of Sierra Club CD on "Reinventing Power".

**D.** Being reviewed by Environmental Commission members. Discussion only. No action taken.

Special Environmental Commission meeting to accommodate a future Plan Commission meeting agenda item.

E. Motion made to hold the August Environmental Commission meeting on Monday August 12 instead of scheduled date, August 28. This will accommodate a Natural Resource Special Exception by the Conservancy for Healing and Heritage, Reiman Cancer Center, Ascension Health Care, a city sponsored project. Motion made to approve change of date to August 12 by Vice Chair Cannon and seconded by Commissioner Flynn. All approved. (6-0-0)

# DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Environmental Commission collaboration with the Franklin Public Library for special programs presentations and use of the Library facilities, including but not limited to Arbor Day programs and Field Projects..

VI.

**A.** Commissioner Pomahac will meet with library staff to discuss maintenance intentions of newly installed rain garden, June 2019.

Environmental Committees in the Milwaukee Metropolitan area cooperative programs, projects and meetings concept review - Hales Corners, Muskego and Shorewood.

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

## SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

VII.

**A.** August 12, 2019. See New Business, E.

# **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.

VIII. Vice Chair Cannon moved to adjourn the Environmental Commission meeting of July 24, 2019 at 8:19 p.m.. Commissioner Flynn. All voted 'aye'. Motion carried (6-0-0).