CITY OF FRANKLIN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES October 23, 2019

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

I. Chairman Arthur Skowron called the October 23, 2019 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. Alderman Dan Mayer arrived at 7:10 p.m.. Excused was Commissioner Stephanie Flynn. Also present was Assistant Planner Marion Ecks.

CITIZEN COMMENT

II. The citizen comment period opened at 7:01 p.m. and closed at 7:02 p.m.. 1 citizen was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting of September 25, 2019.

III.

A. Vice Chair Cannon moved and Commissioner Hritz seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 25, 2019 as presented. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried (5-0-2). Alderman Mayer arrived after the minutes were approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Environmental articles for the City of Franklin Newsletter.

City of Franklin's National Night Out.

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

Environmental Commission collaboration with the Franklin Public Library for program presentation of "Reinventing Power" and speaker coordination.

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

IV.

- **A.** Due date is October 25, 2019. Discussion only. No action taken.
- **B.** Discussion only. No action taken.
- **C**. Discussion only. No action taken.
- **D.** The Franklin Environmental Commission will sponsor a presentation, "Renewable Energy Perspective" at the Franklin Public Library, November 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fadrow Room. The speaker is Doug Wetjen from WE Energy. The talk is free and open to the public. No registration required. Discussion only. No action taken.
- **E.** Discussion only. No action taken.

NEW BUSINESS

Natural Resource Features Special Exception application by William Bodner, Managing Member of Bodner Property Management, LLC for the purpose of removing approximately 1.58 acres of young woodland and to fill 0.33 acres of wetland which has been exempted by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, to allow for the grading and construction of the Knollwood Legacy Apartments 40-unit multifamily residential development [property contains two (2) areas of young woodlands, and two (2) wetland areas], property generally located at South Scepter Drive and West Church Street, zoned R-8 Multiple-Family Residence District (Tax Key No. 795-9999-008).

V.

- **A.** Alderman Mayer moved and Vice Chair Cannon seconded a motion to recommend approval of a Natural Resource Special Exception application by William Bodner, Bodner Property Management to include:
 - 1. Mitigation of six trees selected by the City Forester to be placed at Lake Ernie Park.
 - 2. Remove all noxious plant material from the two designated woodland areas, listed as WD-1 and WD-2
 - 3. Agreement of the Conservation Easement as submitted on the current plan
 - 4. Receipt of all other required permits and approvals

On roll call vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried (6-0-1).

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

VI.

- A. Vice Chair Cannon moved and Commission Hritz seconded a motion to cancel the November 27, 2019 and December 25, 2019 scheduled meetings and consolidate to one meeting on December 11, 2019. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried (6-0-1)
- VII. Vice Chair Cannon moved and Alderman Mayer seconded to adjourn the Environmental Commission meeting of October 23, 2019 at 8:12 p.m.. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried (6-0-1).

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.