

**ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 17, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof the meeting of the Environment & Sustainability Commission (ESC) of the City of Rosemount was called to order on August 17, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 2875 145th Street West, Rosemount.

Attendees included: Commissioners Renee Burman, Eric Johnson., Kristen Andrews, Tina Angerer, Erin Delaney, and new commissioner Neal Shoe. Commission Chair Victoria Schlautman was absent.

Guests present include the following:

- Brita Moore-Kutz with the Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Organization

Staff present included the following;

- Stormwater Specialist Byron and Public Works Office Specialist – Recording Secretary Simonson

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None

ANNUAL MEETING

3.a. Issuance of Oath – Neal Shoe

Stormwater Specialist Byron administered oath.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.a. Motion by Burman **Second** by Johnson

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022 Environment and Sustainability Commission meeting.

Ayes: 6.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

4.b. Motion by Andrews **Second** by Delaney

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2022 Environment and Sustainability Commission meeting.

Ayes: 6.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

5.a. Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Organization (VRWJPO)

Brita Moore-Kutz, Communications & Outreach Specialist at the VRWJPO, provided an orientation to the VRWJPO.

Commissioner Delaney inquired about educational opportunities for residents with private wells and resources for information.

Commissioner Angerer inquired how the Vermillion River Watershed compares to other watersheds in the state. Moore-Kutz stated she is not familiar with the standards well enough. However, it does not appear to be any different than other watersheds in the state.

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Commissioner Angerer further inquired how the VRWJPO measures success. Moore-Kutz indicated that the VRWJPO shares monitoring outcomes and annual reports assessing the progress of each project undertaken.

Commissioner Burman commented using the monthly blog as tool to promote grant opportunities, projects, and events by the VRWJPO.

OLD BUSINESS

6.a. 2022 Goals Updates

Commissioner Angerer asked for any updates on the commission's goals. Commissioner Burman recognized the new Organics Drop Site goal has been completed.

Commissioner Andrews suggested that the new Commissioners Johnson and Shoe review the 2022 ESC Goals to choose a goal that is unassigned.

Commissioners will re-assess the goals at the Work Session on September 13, 2022.

6.b. 2022 Education & Outreach Calendar

Commissioners assigned the September blog post to promote VRWJPO 'We Are Water Minnesota' traveling interactive exhibit hosted by Dakota County from October 13 through December 5, 2022. The Commissioners will further discuss blog topics and assignments at the September 13, 2022 Work Session.

Commissioners discussed a recap of hosting an ESC booth at the 2022 Leprechaun Days.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

STAFF REPORT

9.a. Set Next Meeting and Work Session Agenda for Wednesday September 13, 2022

- Goals update, assessment and re-assignment
- Blog topics, assignments, and scheduling
- Education topics

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Environment & Sustainability Commission and upon a motion by Angerer and a second by Johnson the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Simonson
Recording Secretary