

**CITY OF TWO RIVERS CITY COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
City Hall: Third Floor – Council Chambers
Tuesday, February 16, 2021 – 5:30 P.M.
MINUTES**

Call to Order

Roll Call – Members – in person: Jay Remiker, Jerry Thiede, Jeff Dahlke, Ben Meinnert (6:35) , Olivia Stanley (Student Member); virtually: Brian Henrickson, Donald Debruyne Cameron Essert (Student Member), Susan Crowley (6:40); **Council members** – Darla LeClair, Bonnie Shimunulas; **Staff** – (City Engineer/Public Works Director), Scott Ahl (Civil Engineer II), Jared Rohrer (Park & Rec), Ethan Jones (Park & Rec Forester)

Review and Approval of Minutes - Motion by Jared Rohrer, seconded by Darla LeClair, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried upon unanimous voice vote.

Board Business:

- Introduction of Board Members, Council Members and Staff – recognition of newer attendees
- Future speakers – Julia Noordyk, UW Sea Grant (March); Andre Jacque, to discuss farms/agriculture (hopefully in April)

Review of January presentation by Nick Vande Hey of McMahon Group

- Submit questions to Jim or Scott. No questions came up regarding the presentation.
- Comment that Two Rivers potential population <10,000 in years to come. This may affect storm requirements, but City would likely not be impacted by this, due to the proximity with Manitowoc.

Goals and Objectives for the coming year:

- **Refuse and recycling collection, practices and funding** – reviewed presentation by Manitowoc Disposal; staff will email minutes from Public Works Committee
- **Private storm water systems** – need to develop a plan/procedures for private storm pond inspections and maintenance procedures
- **Storm Connection ordinance and priority for mini-storm sewer construction** – staff working on a plan to install mini storm systems likely in area of 12th/13th/Columbus St

Distribution of Tree Planting Guide and “The Right Tree in the Right Place”

- DNR currently accepting comments on leaf collection study
- reviewed TR Street Tree Planting Guide (revised April 1999); staff would like to update to current species
- reviewed TR Water & Light Tree Guide which reimbursed/shared cost with customers for trees planned near houses for energy conservation when planted on south or west side of houses.
- consider funding sources for tree planting; staff noted there is a tree fund that is funded through part of environmental fee on utility bill
- look at options to replace trees; Tracy Salisbury, DNR Urban Forestry; may be able to assist with plan development
- Park & Rec looking at developing inventory of trees (GIS – inventory city-owned trees); Steve Johnson of Selner Trees working with Park & Rec; also look at modeling how trees can clean-up air and storm water through nutrient take-up.
- Two Rivers planted 65 trees in 2020; 25 transplanted; 35 at wayside; appears city is doing a good job of replacing trees
- Manitowoc had map of where/species of trees when street projects removed trees, replaced trees
- give homeowners desire for trees/species
- Jerry Thiede, Ben Meinnert, and Jared Rohrer volunteered to work on updating tree planting guide

Date, Time and Agenda Items for next Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 5:30 pm

Adjournment

Motion made by Jerry Theide, seconded by Darla LeClair, to adjourn at 6:50 pm. Motion carried upon unanimous voice vote.