



Environmental Commission Minutes
Tuesday –September 3, 2024
7:00 p.m.

The Environmental Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Jonah Pichette

ROLL CALL: Present: Gina Hutter Michael Walton, Jonah Pichette, Sue Metzler, Virginia Schmidt, Shantanu Pahi, John McArthur
Also Present: Patrick Jeffers, Assistant Director of Engineering and Karen Labbe, Council Representative

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Pichette motioned to approved May 7, 2024 minutes as submitted.
Mr. McArthur seconded the Motion.
Motion unanimously passed.

PRESENTATIONS: None Presented.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None Presented.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS and DISCUSSIONS:

- Ms. Metzler discussed the 2030 United Nations Sustainable Development agenda. She discussed the initiatives, carbon emissions, etc. Sue also shared the electronic recycle event on September 28th, 9am to 2pm at the Twinsburg Library. She discussed ideas for posters to be displayed in the community.
- Ms. Hutter did not have a report to share.
- Mr. Walton did not have a report to share.
- Ms. Schmidt discussed establishing some information to share with the community. She also shared information on the new Twinsburg Native Habitat Association.
- Mr. Pahi discussed household hazardous events for the end of summer, including Summit County Reworks remaining events and other local community hazardous waste events.
- Mr. McArthur did not have a report to share.
- Mr. Pichette reported on the attended events over the summer, including the Pollinator event.
- Mr. Jeffers shared that this Commission is officially under the Economic Development Department (Rebecca Zeigler). Ms. Zeigler would like the Commission to establish some short term goals and long term goals. Mr. Jeffers also discussed the City's Sustainability Committee and their mission and goals and how the Economic Development Commission



could work in cooperation with them. Patrick will supply Commission members with this information. Patrick also discussed the website and social media account, updating information and providing consistency for all Commissions websites. He also discussed Facebook and other social media posting requirements for record retention protocols.

COUNCIL REPORT:

- Ms. Labbe did not have a report at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None presented.

NEW BUSINESS: None presented.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- Members discussed how to proceed with short and long term goals for the Commission.
- Members discussed “Good Neighbor” award, “Friend of the Commission” award, “Good Business award” Jonah will resend this proposal to members.
- Mr. Jeffers will send members the City’s Sustainability Committee information and goals.
- Members discussed recycling issues and how to provide residents with pertinent information.
- Members will bring ideas for short and long term Commission goals to the next meeting.
- It is suggested for members to view the webpage and offer any changes.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS: All members present.

NEXT MEETING DATE: October 1, 2024 at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Pichette motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Metzel seconded the Motion.

Motion unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.