



Meeting Minutes

ROLLING MEADOWS ENVIROMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING **May 4, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. (Virtual Zoom Meeting)**

1. **Call to Order** (6:30pm on May 4, 2021)
2. **Roll Call:** Karen Gill, Alderman Lara Sanoica, Sue Walton, Dr. Michal Kohler, Alysse Dahlgren, Pete Jackon, Alderman Karen McHale, Maggie Trevor, Rob Horne, Graham Strebler, Joan Thomas, Mayor Joe Gallo, Fred Vogt, Ryan Rivard
3. **Approval of Minutes from March 31, 2021**
 1. 1st Sue Walton, 2nd Alysse Dahlgren
 - Discussion
 - Roll Call: All in favor
4. **New Business**
 - a. Earth Day Event
 - i. Pete Jackson- Thank you Ryan and Kurt for their help from PW.
 - ii. Karen Gill- Park District (PD) was impressive and look forward to working with them
 - iii. Sue Walton- PD Will be a good future partner
 - iv. Pete Jackson- We may need to add extra protection in Prairie to help keep people off. He will check it out and if there is any help PW could do to secure fencing?
 - v. Joan Thomas- Brought her students to the prairie and showed them the seeding and erosion work that occurred on Earth Day.
 - b. Karen Kase Native Area
 - i. N/A
 - c. Discuss coordination efforts with RMPD on future events
 - i. Discussion
 1. Rob Horne- Staff to coordinate future efforts with PD working with the committee.
 - a. Look into a coordination meeting at beginning of the year.
 - b. Staff to talk with PD and bring back dates to the committee
 2. Pete Jackon- We should make a list of sites and tasks for next year to partner with.
5. **Sustainability Plan**
 - a. Discussion

- i. Dr. Michael Koeler- Sustainability Plan Presentation on how creating a sustainability plan could benefit Rolling Meadows.
- ii. Sue Walton/ Alderman Lara Sanoica- NWMC could be a resource in looking into the sustainability plan.
- iii. Mayor Joe Gallo- Would like to see more ideas brought to the City that would positively help our City.
- iv. Alderman Lara Sanoica- Made a motion to look into staff exploratory for sustainability
 - 1. 1st by Pete Jackson, 2nd by Sue Walton
 - a. Roll Call: All in Favor
- v. Mayor Joe Gallo- The Committee should look into 5 annual objectives
- vi. Maggie Trevor- Made a motion staff finds examples of sustainability plans for communities similar in size, geography, and composition to Rolling Meadows
 - 1. 2nd by Sue Walton
 - 2. Roll Call: All in favor

6. Membership/ Appointments

- 1. Alderman Lara Sanoica appointed on April 13, 2021
- 2. Maggie Trevor appointed on April 13, 2021

7. Outreach

- 1. Social Media
 - Discussion
 - 1. Karen Gill made a motion to add a staff representative as an Admin to Facebook group.
 - 1. 2nd by Maggie Trevor
 - 1. Roll Call: All in Favor
 - 2. Alderman Sanoica made a motion to add new members as admins to replace past members adding Pete and Maggie as admins for the FB page.
 - 1. Maggie Trevor 2nd
 - 1. Voice Vote: All in Favor
 - 3. Maggie Trevor made a motion for staff to look into what content and protocols we should use for posting on the FB Page
 - 1. 2nd Alderman Sanoica
 - 1. Voice Vote: All in Favor
- 2. Education
 - N/A
- 3. Newsletter
 - Discussion
 - 1. Alysse Dahlgren created a newsletter for the month regarding water and streambank stabilization.

8. Upcoming Events

- 1. Discussion
 - RM Garden Club/ Hometown Plant & Craft Sale, May 15th at 3000 Central Road.
 - 1. Fred Vogt- Historical Society would be happy to share a table and or disseminate information/ literature for the Environmental Committee.

2. Maggie Trevor - Farmers market is on May 29
3. Fred Vogt - Historical society would also be happy to share a table and or disseminate information/ literature for Environmental Committee.

- Duck Race

4. Maggie Trevor- The EC should continue to do this event
5. Fred Vogt- Talk with Park District for ticket sales and coordination
6. Rob Horne- Staff will contact PD to send someone to attend to coordinate efforts
7. Sue Walton- Ideas of looking for another organization to help with event? – Jaycees?
8. Maggie Trevor- Has a company for tickets

9. FY 2021 Policy/ project Discussions

1. Discussion next month.

10. Tree Preservation Policy

1. Discussion
 - N/A

11. Review Upcoming Meetings

1. June 1, 2021- 6:30PM – Zoom
2. July 6, 2021 – 6:30PM- T.B.D
3. August 2, 2021– 6:30PM- T.B.D
4. September 7– 6:30PM- T.B.D
5. October 5– 6:30PM- T.B.D
6. November 2– 6:30PM- T.B.D
7. December 7– 6:30PM- T.B.D

12. Adjournment (8:37 PM on May 5, 2021)

1. 1st by Karen Gill , 2nd by Alderman Sanoica