

MINUTES ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

MARCH 26, 2015

Chairman Bev Aas called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Neil Herzberg, Harry Thielen, Duane Olmscheid, Mike Jensen, Chad Woelfel, and Brandon Michaelis. Also present were Advisory Members Ron Mergen, Public Works Director and Don Williamson, West Central Sanitation. Absent was Chuck Koshiol.

There were no minutes available for approval.

RESIGNATION

A letter from Urban Fuchs was read stating his resignation from the Committee due to his health.

Motion was made by Thielen to accept the resignation of Urban Fuchs from the Environmental Committee, effective immediately and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Aas and unanimously carried.

SPRING CLEAN UP & HHW COLLECTION

Members reviewed the flyers and noted both flyers were of the Spring Clean Up. The Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) flyer was missing. Mergen stated that the HHW posters will be printed and distributed. The lay out for setting up was reviewed, members suggested leaving it the same as last year as it worked well. Volunteers were discussed noting that the County will need 4 people to assist them. Michaelis, Olmscheid, and Williamson all stated they will be well staffed. The Township will likely have 3 volunteers and the Hockey Association will have 1 or 2 volunteers.

CURBSIDE SCAVENGING

The Scavenging Day flyer was distributed to members asking them to post them around town as the City does not advertise in the paper for this event.

CURB SIDE LEAF PICKUP

Members discussed organic, decomposable bags and this could be a possible solution to opening the bags. Opening the bags was discussed as a dirty job as some of the grass and leaves are bagged weeks ahead of the pickup and the material is in the decomposition stage. Some members viewed this as a good option, it was suggested to check pricing and bring it to a special meeting.

OUTDOOR WOOD BURNER ORDINANCE

It was reported that staff is researching a possible ordinance to address this.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.