

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES OF September 19, 2012

Item No. 1. being:

ROLL CALL

The Environmental Control Advisory Board of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session at the City of Norman, in the Study Session Room, Norman Municipal Building, 201 West Gray Street on September 19, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. Notice and Agenda of the meeting were posted at the Norman Municipal Building at 201 West Gray 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT	Amanda Nairn (Chair) Linda Goeringer (Vice Chair) Holly Armstrong Zac Abbott Darren Alexander James Harp (5:35 - 6:45) Odette Horton Aaron Pilat
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MEMBERS ABSENT	Charles Sever
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STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT	Debbie Smith, Environmental Svcs. Coordinator Charlie Thomas, Cap. Projects Engineer Aaron Milligan, Storm Water Pollution Specialist Scott Sturtz, City Engineer
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Item No. 2 being:

INTRODUCE GUESTS

GUESTS PRESENT	None
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Item No. 3 being:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 15, 2012 MEETING

Amanda Nairn asked if there were any corrections to the August 15, 2012 minutes. There being none Linda Goeringer made a motion to approve the August 15, 2012 minutes. Zac Abbott seconded. There being no further discussion, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS	Amanda Nairn (Chair) Linda Goeringer (Vice Chair) Holly Armstrong Zac Abbott Darren Alexander Odette Horton Aaron Pilat
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NAYS None

The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

Item No. 4 being:

UPDATE FROM PUBLIC WORKS ON RECOMMENDED BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR PHOSPHATE CONTROLS

Sturtz stated that Public Works was requested to attend the September 12th Council Oversight Committee by Council Member Kovach to present information on phosphate control (PowerPoint attached). They compiled and passed out a packet of information, none of it was new information. It was an overall general view of what has been happening. The committee told Public Works to develop a phosphate control ordinance and bring it to the October meeting for discussion. Sturtz believes the Public Education mission of ECAB will remain the same if an ordinance is developed or not. Sturtz said he talked to Shawn O'Leary and the survey ECAB developed will be able to go up on the website soon. As soon as it is on the greennorman.org website or the City of Norman website, Aaron Milligan will send inserts in the utility bill asking citizens to go to the site and fill it out. Nairn will contact the homebuilders about applying fertilizers. Horton will contact the retailers in town and ask them to put the "Know P" brochure in their stores.

The Board asked Sturtz if the University of Oklahoma tested their soil or if they used fertilizer with phosphate. He stated he would contact Alan King, landscaper at OU, and find out. The Board also wanted to know if the demo garden that was discussed with James Briggs had been approved. The demo garden was to be on the south side of the Municipal Complex. It would include native plants and rainwater harvesting. Thomas stated this was not approved in the budget. Horton suggested writing a grant for this.

Item No. 5 being:

DISCUSS FERTILIZER PUBLIC EDUCATION

Horton will deliver "Know P" flyers to the retailers. Goeringer made a motion for ECAB to print brochures for distribution. Abbot seconded. There being no further discussion, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS Amanda Nairn (Chair)
 Linda Goeringer (Vice Chair)
 Holly Armstrong
 Zac Abbott
 Darren Alexander
 James Harp
 Odette Horton
 Aaron Pilat

NAYS None

The motion passed by a vote of 8 to 0. Smith will proceed to have more brochures printed.

When the survey is released, the Board asked if a press release could be written. City staff will write it.

Item No. 6 being:

DISCUSS WATER CONSERVATION PUBLIC EDUCATION

Nairn said Sever gave her several snippets on water conservation. She passed them to Smith to distribute electronically.

Item No. 7 being:

PLAN CONSERVATION CONTEST

Nairn has the rules from two years ago and will send them out electronically. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Item No. 8 being:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Development Block Grant Committee (C. Sever and D. Alexander) – no report

Item No. 9 being:

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION

Smith mentioned the household hazardous waste collection event proposal is going to Council September 25th. If it is approved, it will be held November 3rd at the Lloyd Noble Center's parking lot.

Item No. 10 being:

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

Item No. 11 being:

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Passed and approved this 17 day of oct 2012.


Chair, Amanda Nairn