

Approved Minutes
DuPage County Environmental Committee
March 6, 2012
8:45 AM Room 3500B
Jack T. Knuepfer

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Call to Order : @8:45am

Roll Call Visual

Members Present: Chairman Redick, Member Gonzalez, Member Larsen, Member Michelassi, and Member Bedrossian

Staff Present: Joy Hinz, Shefali Trivedi, Dan Thomas, Tim Trotter, Joan Morange, and Lillian Miller

SAO Present: Tony Hayman

SCARCE Representative: Kay McKeen

Public Comment

Kay McKeen of SCARCE: Ms. McKeen informed the committee that there are a number of recycling events upcoming (handout given by Ms. McKeen) Kay stated as of February 29th there has been 30,276 pound of holiday lights collected and some cities are still collecting, Goodwill has launched a new textile recycling program and there are six towns that will be participating in this program and the Starwood Hotel Group will also donate bed linens, towels and cotton robes as part of this program.

Chairman's Comments

DuPage Environmental Commission Cool Counties Recommendation – Mr. Redick informed the committee that the Environmental Commission is recommending that DuPage County adopt the U.S Cool Counties Climate Stabilization Declaration, however this information was given to staff to research and verify the cost and the potential improvements that are involved so that the County Board can decide whether or not this would be financial suitable for the county to be a part of.

Green Fleets Award – Chairman Redick reported that Member Don Puchalski recommended that DuPage County receive this award based on the changes we've made to our transportation fleets which this program is presented by the Chicago Clean Cities and the EPA.

Schedule of Claims

Mach 6, 2012 – On a motion by Member Michelassi and seconded by Member Larsen, the schedule of claims for March 6, 2012 were approved. On a voice call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion passes.

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Approval of Minutes

November 1, 2011 – On a motion by Member Larsen and seconded by Member Gonzalez, the minutes from November 1st, 2011 Environmental Committee Meeting were approved. On a roll call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion passes.

Action Items

Purchase Requisition #17840 issued to Cintas Document Management, for document shredding and recycling services, for the period April 1, 2012 through November 30, 2012, for Economic Development & Planning, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,500, per attached quote. On a motion by Member Larsen and seconded by Member Michelassi, the purchase requisition #17840 for Cintas Document Management for shredding and recycling services was approved. On a voice call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion passes.

Member Larsen inquired as to why is the County is providing this service it's not for the County. Chairman Redick informed Mr. Larsen that this a service that we provide to the citizens through this company for document shredding and recycling services, it's safe and secure.

Due to scrivener's error the resolution EN- 0001-12 was changed to read EN-0002A-11

EN-0002A11-First amendment to the intergovernmental agreement between the City of Naperville and the County of DuPage to provide funding for the operation of a household hazardous waste collection facility – On a motion by Member Michelassi and seconded by Member Larsen, EN-0002A-11 was approved. On a voice call vote, all members present voted aye. Motion passes.

Staff Updates

DuPage Green Grid – Shefali was very excited to inform the committee that Economic Development and Planning along with the IT staff, Tom Wicker has created the first mobile application using the GIS implementation highlighting many sustainable projects county-wide. Ms. Trivedi also informed the committees that the Green Grid will be update as green projects are completed and future options may include energy star rated buildings and renewable energy roofs and the application for Green Grid can be downloaded at the County's website. Shefali and Tom demonstrated the application through a short presentation showing how to navigate through the website noting that this application is compatible with Apple Android and Windows, very user friendly.

Trail Closures, ITEP Funding and Upcoming Trail Projects

Dan informed the committee that he has been working closely with ComEd over the past couple of weeks on the cyclical trimming process to identify trees that should be trimmed or removed; this will not interfere with the usage of the trail.

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Mr. Thomas also informed the committee that the prairie path spurs of Batavia and Aurora will experience some closures this spring and summer for work to be done on the utilities the closures will be posted on the website. Mr. Thomas is working on ways to promote the county trail systems to hopefully encourage more usage by runners, bicyclist, walkers and one way is that he has created the loop routes with various lengths.

Dan mentioned to the committee that this spring ITEP is accepting applications through May 2012 and Dan and the Division of Transportation will submit two potential projects – the Gary Avenue side path and a sustainable vegetation project. The DuPage County Forest Preserve District may apply for the ITEP funding for the Winfield Mounds Trail and the County Farm Bicycle Bridge between Mallard Lake and Hawk Hollow preserves which are key links of the West Branch DuPage Regional Trail and the North Central DuPage Regional Trails, stated Mr. Thomas.

Dan informed the committee that there are several different projects scheduled for this summer in addition to ongoing work to the bicycle and pedestrian walks there will be slight delays and closings at most of the prairie paths that are scheduled for work, however there will postings of closure/work being done and the website will be updated.

New Business

None

Old Business

SCARCE Funding – Member Larsen asked if other funding for the SCARCE program had been secured. Chairman Redick responded that other avenues are being explored for the funding of the SCARCE Program.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Redick accepted the motions by Member Larsen and Member Michelassi to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 A.M.

Respectfully,
Environmental Committee Secretary
Lillian Miller