

MINUTES | July 9, 2015

7:30 am • Leawood City Hall • 4800 Town Center Drive • Main Conference Room

Members Present: Debra Filla, Chuck Sipple, Brian Cullum, Mike Gillaspie, Alicia Jennings, Scott Pashia, Chris Schultz, Andrew Van Der Laan

Staff Present: Chris Claxton, Brian Anderson, Marica Putman

Members Absent: Gareth Matthews, Bob Pierson, Jim Potter

Guests: Dick Heydinger, works with Missouri Conservation

- ✚ The SAB meeting came to order at 7:36 am.
 - Alicia Jennings made a motion to approve the agenda. Vice-Chair Sipple seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Scott Pashia made a motion to approve the June 11th minutes. Andrew Van Der Laan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Vice-Chair Sipple introduces Dick Heydinger. Mr. Heydinger is a Stream Team member monitoring Tomahawk Creek as part of the Missouri Stream Programs. He explains the program and process to members.
- ✚ **Master Calendar**
 - Members reviewed and updated the master calendar.
 - Mike Gillaspie reached out to Jennifer Gunby for the September 19th Sustainability Speaker Series.
- ✚ **School & Places of Workshop Liaison Assignments**
 - Members reviewed and updated their assignments.
- ✚ **Chamber of Commerce**
 - **Parks & Recreation Happy Hour – August 19th**
 - The event is Wednesday, August 19th from 4:30-6:00 pm. Other details have not been planned. In the past, Parks & Recreation information was given out. Did you know we have this ...information? They have not decided on the focus points. Chris Claxton suggested focusing on the bike ped plan, bicycle friendly businesses, etc. Members discuss what's involved to be a Bicycle Friendly Business.
- ✚ **HOA**
 - Share Feedback from Top 34 calls.
 - Mike Gillaspie. Verona Gardens, Hunter's Ridge, and Longwood Forest. In contact with Verona Gardens and Longwood Forest.
 - Brian Cullum. In contact with Wilshire.
 - Most members have contacted their HOAs. Response has been slow due to summer vacations, etc.
 - Annual Meeting
 - Speakers.
 - Chair Filla has contacted Kansas City Water Services as a possible speaker for the Sustainability Summit with the message of 'Water Matters'. KCWS have received several awards for their work.
 - Scott Pashia suggested someone speaking about irrigation system water waste, over watering, better systems, etc.
 - Brian Anderson will contact irrigation vendors to have a booth with item examples for the home that is designed to save water for homeowners.
 - HOA Ad in the Parks & Recreation Program Guide. Brian Cullum will send Marica Putman a mockup of the ad for the guide.
 - Simpler format.
 - 1 speaker
 - 1 theme – Water
 - Town hall information, recognition
 - Simplifying the menu
 - Round table
 - Should we circle back to the Olathe North H.S. winners of the Burns and McDonnell awards for their proposal 'Every Drop Counts' which is now on display at Science City, Union Station.

- Round table discussion to focus on tree diseases, issues and sense of urgency/what can be done. Members discuss various options for cut up trees such as baseball bats, etc. Ash lumber has restrictions within the county.
 - Members were asked whether to make the meeting theme about trees rather than water. After much deliberation, members decided to keep the water theme.

✚ Updates

Large Item Recycling

- Four missed locations. A bill has not been received.
- Upcoming Large Item Recirculation is September 19th, 135th Street to 155th Street. Brian Cullum formed an email (Gmail) for SAB communications. He has a list of contacts and organizations. It is advertised by paper, email, Craigslist, etc. Brian Anderson also has signs to advertise it. Bob Pierson to call JR Preset and notifies him of the date.

Sustainability Speaker – Jennifer Gunby

- Advertise it.
- Decide if the series is worth continuing in 2016
- Find speaker for the companion presentation – Weatherproofing 101

KCP&L Grant

- KCP&L Grant (up to \$3,000) to focus on saving Ash Trees and will incorporate KCPL's Right tree, right place campaign. Brian Anderson and Dustin Branick to help with EAB for ash trees write up. Brian Cullum has worked on the grant and put it on Goggle docs for everyone to review.
 - Scott Pashia makes a motion to submit the grant for council approval. Andrew Van Der Laan seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.
 - Chris Schultz makes a motion to recommend to council that we have certified arborists with option to waive for emergency services. They must have a license to work in Leawood. Scott Pashia seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.
 - Approximately \$40 for a license. Brian Anderson will research the appropriate fee. Once the info has been collected, which department will collect it, and who will monitor this, then the motion will be sent to council. Members continue the discussion. Vice-Chair Sipple does have concerns that it burdens the home owner and people doing businesses in Leawood. He would the fee to be modest.

✚ SAB Plans and Projects

- Back to School/Sustainability Leadership Awards (Gareth Matthews).
 - \$250 per semester for sustainability (up to 2 per year) or leadership award of \$500 for the school.
- SAB Structure – BFC, Tree Board – update
 - July 14th Parks Board – to bring BFC back under SAB
 - Chair Filla will make a council report.
- Tiered levels of involvement – Friends, etc.
 - Continued to the next meeting.

✚ Adjourn

- Alicia Jennings makes a move to adjourn the meeting. Chris Schultz seconds the move. Meeting adjourns at 9:00 am.
- **Next meeting is August 6, 2015** (changed from the 13th). Members agreed to meet in August in lieu of September because Chair Filla and Vice-Chair Sipple are out of the country September 10th.
- Future meetings for 2015: Oct 8, and Nov 12.
- No meetings in March, August, and December.