



ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY & ENERGY COMMISSION MEETING

May 9, 2023

7:00 PM

Fridley Civic Campus, 7071 University Ave N.E.

MINUTES

Call to Order

Chair Klemz called the Environmental Quality and Energy Commission to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Amy Dritz
Nick Olberding
Justin Foell
Aaron Klemz
Sam Stoxen

Absent: Mark Hansen
Heidi Ferris

Others Present: Rachel Workin, Environmental Planner

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Olberding to approve the meeting agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Dritz. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of April 11, 2023 Environmental Quality and Energy Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Foell to approve the April 11, 2023 meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Olberding. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

2. MRCCA Code

Ms. Workin reviewed proposed changes to the MRCCA Code, Shoreland Overlay, and Telecommunications Overlay Chapters

Motion by Commissioner Foell to recommend the Critical Area code as written and without substantial changes for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Stoxen. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Foell to recommend the revisions to the Shoreland Overlay for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Stoxen. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Foell to recommend the revisions to the Telecommunications Overlay for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Stoxen. The motion carried unanimously.

3. 73rd Avenue Corridor Input

Ms. Workin shared that the City was collecting feedback on 73rd Avenue. She asked commissioners to share there feedback at FridleyMN.gov/73rd

4. Deconstruction webinar and research

Commissioner Klemz shared that there were upcoming webinars on construction and demolition. Ms. Workin shared that Commons Park Warming House might be an opportunity to pilot a decommissioning project.

Old Business

5. Energy Action Plan updates

Ms. Workin shared that the WindUp Challenge resulted in seven new subscriptions. Grant updates

Ms. Workin shared that there were no new grant updates

6. Outreach and Event updates

Ms. Workin shared that the Environmental Fun Fair was very successful. There were six Home Energy Squad sign ups.

Other Items

7. Digital Collaboration Brainstorming

Commissioner Olberding shared examples of sustainability pages for Commissioners to review.

8. Informal Status Reports

Ms. Workin shared that the 2023 Environmental Commissioner would be on May 20 at the Ridgedale Public Library.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Dritz to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Foell. The Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.