

West Seneca Environmental Commission  
Monthly Meeting Minutes (Draft)  
July 24, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Dave Monopolous, *Chair Pro Tempore*, at 7:04 p.m. on Tuesday, July 24, 2012.

Attending members: Joyce Mallette, Dave Monopolous, George Rockey, Rick Rutkowski, *Vice Chair*, Jack Oshei. Absent: Evelyn Hicks, (excused), Paula Olma (excused), Gary Oosterhoudt (unexcused), Sheila Meegan, *Town Council Liaison*. Guests: Linda Emmi, Steve Kondrak, Gene Hart.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

1. The Chair Pro Tempore stated that this Item is Laid on the Table until all minutes are presented.
2. (a) Joyce Mallette reported a balance of \$463.05  
(b) Joyce Mallette reported that the Environmental Commission account was to have \$3,000 instead of current budget of \$1,000.  
(c) Petitioning the Town Council for more funds remains an option for 2013 budget request.  
(d) Joyce Mallette and Dave Monopolous raised a Point of Information regarding \$300 spent by Evelyn Hicks on two items on 2/16/12 and 3/14/12.
3. (a) Joyce Mallette stated that correspondence was received from Detective Lt. Codder regarding Environmental Commission's request for 2 tables and 4 chairs for National Night Out. Joyce Mallette stated she confirmed the request by telephone call.  
(b) Joyce Mallette stated that a letter from NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation to Evelyn Hicks regarding a species of endangered plant growing on Oxbow site (2805 Clinton St.) Rick Rutkowski expressed concern that letters written from the Environmental Commission bear no singular sender's name and have collaboration from members. Guest Gene Hart will speak to West Seneca Code Enforcement Officer regarding this matter.  
(c) A file copy of letter addressed in (b) appeared in the Environmental Commission office.
4. No action.
5. (a) Joyce Mallette raised a Point of Information regarding length of tenure on the Environmental Commission.  
(b) Guest Gene Hart reported that letters of intent for membership renewal shall be addressed at Town Council Work Session scheduled for August 6, 2012, at 2 p.m.

#### WSEC PROJECTS

1. No action.

2. a. (a) Dave Monopololous reported that the Town of West Seneca Highway Superintendent intended to place signs announcing prohibited access on trees.

(b) Rick Rutkowski and George Rockey suggested that suspension of signs is more appropriate for tree health.

b. Read by Chair Pro Tempore; no action.

c. Read by Chair Pro Tempore; no action.

3. (a) No update.

(b) Guest Gene Hart asked George Rockey to submit an email to Town Council regarding site proposal.

(c) George Rockey replied that project plan/email would not be ready until Fall 2012.

4. (a) The Chair Pro Tempore stated that site was clean.

(b) Joyce Mallette reported that site had one item of trash.

5. Evelyn Hicks will manage Tree Survey Plan.

6. Evelyn Hicks will manage presentation of stormwater at National Night Out.

#### TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

1. (a) Rick Rutkowski reported that some remediation work was done regarding petroleum and other chemical spill on property.

(b) George Rockey stated that cleaning on land between dumpsite and Leydecker Road bridge will be finished shortly.

(c) George Rockey will bring map of property to the Environmental Commission for reference.

2. No action.

#### FUTURE PROJECTS

1. Animals will be picked up by Dave Monopololous and transported to site.

2. Jack Oshei moved, seconded by Joyce Mallette, to schedule a meeting on Tuesday, August 28, 2012. Motion carried.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at 7 p.m. (see FUTURE PROJECTS *Item 2*)

Meeting adjourned 8:17 p.m.

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