

**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES
MARCH 1, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

Members of the Environmental Advisory Commission met on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Durk Tyson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present. The following attended the meeting:

1. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS:

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| David Ames | Drake Brinkley |
| Nathaniel Hamilton | Emilie Kane |
| Diego LLerena | Ann Maxwell |
| Durk Tyson | |

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brian Meyerhoeffer, Council Member
Daryl Norris, City of Greenville
Amanda Braddy, City of Greenville
Craig Becker, ECU

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

With the absence of Mr. Carwein, Item IX A. ECU Sustainability Report, this item was tabled. Dr. Kane made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ames and passed unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 1, 2018 MINUTES

A motion was made by Dr. Hamilton to approve the minutes of February 1, 2018 as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Maxwell and passed unanimously.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Maxwell announced that the Town Creek Culvert Public Information meeting will be held on March 5, 2018 at 6pm in City Council Chambers.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments

7. NEW BUSINESS

NONE

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Volkswagen Settlement Update

Mr. Tyson forwarded an email to members regarding the Volkswagen Settlement. The NC Division of Air Quality (NCDAQ) has posted all Requests for Information responses to their web page.

NCDAQ staff is currently working on a draft of the State Mitigation Plan, which they anticipate posting online in mid-March. NCDAQ is also working to schedule a series of stakeholder meetings across the state. Dates and times will be included along with the draft mitigation plan.

For additional information, visit <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/air-quality/motor-vehicles-and-air-quality/volkswagen-settlement/volkswagen>.

B. Sustainability Report Discussion

Dr. Becker requested staff to provide a timeline of the Greenville Climate Protection Partnership (GCPP) completed efforts. Ms. Braddy will provide the minutes of GCPP to Dr. Becker. Council Member Meyerhoeffer also added that he had sent emails to the City Manager's office and the Public Works Director regarding sustainability efforts and Cool Cities initiatives. Council Member Meyerhoeffer will report back to the Commission with the follow up information. Mr. Tyson also contacted the City Manager's office to discuss the EAC's inquiry regarding a Sustainability Officer position.

9. Commission Reports

A. ECU Sustainability Report

This item was tabled.

B. Public Transportation & Parking Commission Update

Dr. Kane reported that she contacted the secretary for the Commission and received the most current minutes from the last meeting available. Dr. Kane also reported a parking study was being conducted and will be presented to City Council for approval.

C. Recreation & Parks Commission Update

Dr. Hamilton reported the Commission's last minutes available were November 2017. The minutes focused on the success of the Greenville Little League Baseball team. Plans for parks were also detailed as well as the possibility of a BMX park honoring Dave Mirra.

D. SWAC Update

Mr. Brinkley reported the focus of the last SWAC meeting was to assess the level of service being provided by the Stormwater Management Utility Plan. The level of services currently being provided as compared to level or service desired were compared and discussion ensued regarding the fees that would be required to reach the desired level of service. The next SWAC meeting will be held on April 3, 2018 and will further discussion on funding sources. The consultant will be available for two more meetings. Dr. Kane asked if there were outside funding sources available for Stormwater Utility. Mr. Norris stated the Stormwater Utility fee could not be charged to citizens outside of the City limits. Mr. Norris further stated there were opportunities that could provide loans and grants to the City. However, the process was competitive for small amounts of funds and was more specific to particular issues.

10. OTHER- FYI

A. 2018-2019 EAC Grant – Reminder to promote

B. Keep Greenville Beautiful Update (See attachment)

C. UST Report (See attachment)

D. Sound Rivers Announcement (See attachment)

11. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

The following items are proposed for the April 4, 2018 meeting:

A. 2018-2019 EAC Grant – Review & Discuss

B. Community Appearance Commission Update (D. Ames)

C. Redevelopment Commission Update (D. Brinkley)

D. Sustainability Report Discussion

E. SWAC Update

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Tyson concluded the meeting by unanimous confirmation.