

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES
November 3, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

Members of the Environmental Advisory Commission met on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Public Works Facility. Ms. Laura Williamson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests. The following attended the meeting:

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS:

Mr. Jay Holley	Mr. Scott Anderson
Mr. Wayne Caldwell	Mr. Owen Burney
Mr. Tim Kelley	Ms. Laura Williamson

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Kinsey Holton, City of Greenville	Mr. Wes Anderson, City of Greenville
Ms. Amanda Braddy, City of Greenville	Ms. Marion Blackburn, Council Member
Mr. David Barham, Citizen of Greenville	Ms. Amy Shew, ECU
Ms. Michelle Shreve, ECU	Mr. James Sasser, ECU
Mr. Ryan Miller, ECU	Mr. Chris Duryea, ECU
Mr. Matthew Moy, ECU	Ms. Anna Turner, ECU
Mr. Jarrod Carr, ECU	Mr. Richard Patterson, Sr., ECU
Mr. Ryan Clemmens, ECU	

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 6, 2011 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Holley to approve the October 6, 2011 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Burney. The motion passed unanimously.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Announcements

- Mr. Holley informed the group of the PSA made with Mr. Holton with Mr. Hawley for GTV-9. The PSA is currently running nine minutes after the hour.
- Council Member Blackburn encouraged everyone to vote on or before Tuesday, November 8, 2011.
- Mr. Scott Anderson reported on the status of the Multi-family recycling centers being constructed and stated Group II will begin on Tuesday and Group III will be going out for bid within the next 30 days.

B. Goals & Objectives

Ms. Williamson asked for suggestions from the group for goals & objectives to present to City Council. Ms. Williamson stated that initiatives from City entities that were discussed such as the Redevelopment Commission initiatives including the West 5th Street project, and the Intermodal/Transportation Center should be considered. Ms. Williamson also suggested the group consider a political or social impact the group could make for environmental issues and concerns.

Mr. Holley stated the EAC's Grant Program was an initiative that was high in priority for EAC. The target groups and projects for upcoming years would be a key focus topic for the group.

Mr. Caldwell presented the continued discussion of plastic and plastic bags for recycling within the City and Pitt County. Council Member Blackburn also suggested adding the use of Styrofoam and the increase of recycling in the waste stream to this initiative. Mr. Caldwell also suggested water conservation and education for consideration as an EAC initiative.

Mr. Holley questioned the thought of recycling pickup for businesses. Mr. Wes Anderson stated that this would have to be an initiative to be presented to City Council as it was a policy level change and could be considered during the City Council retreat in January if EAC was interested in pursuing this initiative.

Mr. Caldwell also commented on the lack of coordination between EAC and City Council. Ms. Williamson agreed and would like to see EAC take a more active role and put it on December's agenda for discussion.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. FROGGS Update

Ms. Lockamy was not present to present updates for FROGGS; however, Mr. Wes Anderson commented that all the greenways were open from the Hurricane shut down except for a section of the South Tar River Greenway. The Green Mill Run Greenway Municipal Agreement will be presented to City Council for consideration on November 14, 2011. Once this agreement is approved, a Notice to Proceed will be issued for the design of the project.

B. Sanderson Poultry Plant Update

Mr. Holley forwarded an email to EAC members with links to PowerPoint presentations and videos of presentations from a public forum in Nash County regarding the Sanderson Poultry Plant project. Mr. Holley also informed the group that presentations were given to Greenville Utilities Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Caldwell commented he felt the auditing process of the producers used by Sanderson was commendable. Mr. Kelley expressed concern in the management and disposal of dry litter from the producers.

Ms. Williamson asked if the resolution drafted by EAC should be presented to City Council. Mr. Holley commented the construction of the plant has been put on hold and

therefore felt the resolution should be tabled until notice the plant will commence. EAC decided to table this item until information was received that would result in further consideration.

C. EAC Grant Program – Update on Presentations

Mr. Kelley reported that he forwarded an email with information regarding the grant to PTAs and school groups. Mr. Kelley followed up with telephone calls to those groups with numbers available and received one response with a PTA meeting at CM Eppes on December 15th. Mr. Kelley asked for volunteers to attend this meeting and present the grant information. Ms. Williamson volunteered to attend the meeting.

D. EECBG Update

Mr. Wes Anderson reported Greenville Utilities’ audit of their facilities should be complete by December. A firm has been selected for the Energy Savings Performance Contract for the City of Greenville’s facilities. Once the proposal is submitted and approved by City Council, an energy audit will be performed.

Mr. Caldwell asked about induction lighting versus LED lighting and Mr. Wes Anderson commented that induction lighting was being considered for areas in the downtown areas and LED lighting for all other areas.

E. GCPP Update

Mr. Cox was not present to give the GCPP update; however, Mr. Cox emailed EAC members with the update and Ms. Williamson presented the information. GCPP expressed concern for their efforts in producing a no-idling video and the decision not to air it on GTV-9. At this point, Mr. Holton informed EAC that the video was aired on GTV-9 and all other videos must be initiated through Steve Hawley with the City of Greenville.

8. OTHER– FYI

A. Recycling Report

B. UST Report

9. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS – The following items are proposed for the December 1, 2011 meeting:

A. Goals & Objectives – Finalize

B. Annual Stormwater Report

C. Council Presentation

D. GTV-PSA for January, February, March

E. GCPP Update

F. EECBG Update

G. EAC member to City Council

10. Adjournment –There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.