

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES
September 1, 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. Mr. Jay Holley, Vice-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. Hugh Cox

Mr. Wayne Caldwell

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. Carl Rees, City of Greenville

Mr. Brian Kvam, CTC Public Benefit Corporation

Mr. Kinsey Holton, City of Greenville

Mr. Wes Anderson, City of Greenville

Ms. Amanda Braddy, City of Greenville

Ms. Lisa Kirby, City of Greenville

Mr. David Barham, Citizen of Greenville

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Sanderson Poultry Plant Resolution was tabled to the October 6, 2011 meeting.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was no public comment.

5. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 4, 2011 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Caldwell to approve the August 4, 2011 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cox. The motion passed unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Announcements

There were no announcements.

B. Brownfield Grant

Mr. Brian Kvam gave a presentation on Brownfield grant information. During the presentation, Mr. Holley asked if limitation of funds on ineligibility of clean-up of Brownfield sites were specific to City of Greenville grants. Mr. Kvam explained the limitations were set by Brownfield Statutes in Federal laws and further commented there were clean-up grants available. Mr. Caldwell asked if there were properties that had been identified to be specifically assessed by this grant application. Mr. Rees commented that no property had specifically been selected; however, there were properties that were potentially promising for assessment and properties would be selected based on a

prioritization process to be established when the grant is received. Mr. Holley presented the Town Creek issue as a possible consideration for Brownfield grant assessment. Mr. Kvam commented that the grant application should contain the Town Creek issue due to the potential of redevelopment surrounding the Town Creek area.

A copy of the presentation is available with the September 1, 2011 agenda package.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Sanderson Poultry Plant Resolution

Due to Mr. Kelley's absence, this item was tabled to the October 6, 2011 meeting.

B. EAC Grant Program

- **Finalize Call for Proposal**

Mr. Holley gave those present a package containing grant information. The information contained the grant application packet, fact cover sheet, list of eligible schools for outreach, and brochures detailing City of Greenville information regarding programs and initiatives.

Mr. Caldwell asked if PTOs were the only applicant eligible for the Grant Program. Ms. Kirby explained that teachers and/or parent-student groups could be administrators of the grant; however, the fiscally responsible party would be the PTOs.

- **Outreach to PTOs**

Mr. Holley pointed out the list of schools that was also included in the package. Follow-up will be made with Tim Kelley regarding the initial contact with the schools to determine meeting dates of PTOs and points of contact for those groups. Presentations will be made by EAC members when a schedule has been established.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Anderson to accept the grant package as presented for finalization. A second was made by Mr. Cox and the motion passed unanimously.

C. GTV-PSA Discussion

Mr. Holley began the discussion by emphasizing the lack of promotion that has occurred on GTV by EAC members. Quarterly updates have not been received and, to date, one interview has occurred. Ms. Kirby stated within the last 18 months of available advertisement on GTV, four commission members had submitted projects. This left five slots that were not filled. Mr. Holley commented on his attempt to reach City Staff regarding a second interview; however, he received no further contact or feedback. Ms. Kirby stated she would address the issue in the lack of contact. It was determined that advertising should continue and Mr. Holley and Ms. Kirby would contact Steve Hawley with the City to schedule an interview. Mr. Caldwell will also prepare bullet points for energy conservation and plastic bags, and Mr. Cox will prepare bullet points for idling for the months of October, November, and December.

Mr. Cox suggested allowing GCPP the opportunity to address the advertising for GTV.

Mr. Cox will take the request to the GCPP meeting and ascertain if interest in this project is something the group would like to take on. Ms. Kirby commented that the ideas would need to be submitted to EAC for approval and forwarded to Kinsey Holton and Lisa Kirby for GTV posting.

D. Tree Protection Committee Update

Mr. Scott Anderson reported the last meeting to be held will be rescheduled due to lack of a quorum. City staff has put together draft preliminary recommendations that will be discussed at the September meeting and he will forward the list to EAC members. Mr. Caldwell asked how the recommendation differed from the current ordinance. Mr. Anderson stated that the Preservation ordinance had very little change; however, the implementation, enforcement, and education components were being addressed.

Mr. Anderson also reported that City staff has put together new items on the vegetation ordinance primarily concerning the buffer yard section and updated the list of plants/vegetation available for planting requirements.

E. EECBG Update

Mr. Wes Anderson commented that he would be contacting Greenville Utilities Commission to determine if street lights damaged/lost during Hurricane Irene could be replaced with LED lights from grant funds.

F. GCPP Update

Mr. Cox reported that he has been updating the wiki space for EAC and all members can add or edit documents within the site.

8. OTHER– FYI

A. Recycling Report

B. UST Report

C. EAC Calendar Finalized

9. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS – The following items are proposed for the October 6, 2011 meeting:

A. EAC Grant Program Update on Presentations to Potential Applicants

B. Redevelopment Commission Update

C. Keep Greenville Beautiful Update

D. Plastic Bags Discussion

E. Sanderson Poultry Plant Resolution

F. GCPP Update

G. EECBG Update

H. Tree Protection Committee Update

10. Adjournment –There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.