

Environment Committee Meeting  
June 2016

In attendance: Tim Wulling, Steve Yetter, Betty Wheeler, Amanda Yang, Cailin Rogers

Introductions and agenda	7:05 pm start Tim moved to approve the minutes Betty seconded. Unanimous. Weeding and caring for rain gardens moved to the end of the agenda.
Danielle from the NEC	Danielle joined the committee to discuss the work of the NEC. Residential energy programs are their largest program. They have both market rate and income based programs within that. The Home Energy Squad is probably the best known part of that program. It saves about \$190 per year. For lower income families, there are an incredible amount of things available to improve energy usage to support the family. There is a durability increase for housing stock and a stability aspect for the family. There is a program in place to help people pay for upgrading their mechanical systems and insulate the attic. The Energy Sense Coalition receives their funding from Xcel. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop communications between now and the fall to inform people about this.</li> <li>2. Tim will take this to the action group through TTASAP to see if they will identify homes that may need these services. Cailin will commit to putting together mailings to put out to those homes.</li> </ol>
Air Quality Monitoring Update	MPCA didn't get their air monitors at the expected time so this was delayed. Staff will help create flyers. Betty will set the date(s) and we will go from there.
Seal Hi-Rise Trash Issues	We think that this is a problem of illegal dumping. We probably need a few more data points. Dick Rohland is the City Inspector and has worked on issues like this other places in the neighborhood. This may be a good point of contact there. 651-266-9803 Cailin will call him. This group will continue the conversation.
Document Shredding	Cailin will reach out to Sunrise Banks (Terri Banazewski) to see if there is a possibility of getting another shredding day in the fall. Could be worthwhile to see if US Bank would be willing to offer that service as well.
Updates	Hampden Park will start construction soon. Illegal dumping at Kasota Ponds is still being worked on. Drive 25 is going really well! Union Park has done their ten year plan already. We should review the environmental aspects for our ten year plan. Someone should come in to both Environment and the full Council to connect with them. Steve went to the City Council meeting on organized collection.
Weeding and cleaning rain	Should be on the Council agenda

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