

Environment Committee Meeting
October 26, 2016

In attendance: Stephen Mastey, Betty Wheeler, Steve Yetter

Neighborhood Clean Up	The name has changed to Neighborhood Drop Off. Lots of electronics get dropped off there, but there are other places that take tech items throughout the year. It sounds like this year's drop off event was a success.
GIS Project	What's the tag line here? How do we want to communicate about this project to the public? We need to work on a resource package. There needs to be a place to direct people for more information. Could we do a training video? There need to be instructions involved in how to use the map. Maybe there should be trainings/info sessions. Could local librarians get trained on this? UMN map library could potentially use this. The people there also have the technical skills to be able to teach people to use it. Marketing language and an instructions sheet need to be developed. Could real estate agents use this?
Metro Metals	Has something happened to bring Metro Metals into compliance? What is happening through the violation process? Is it possible that instead of a fine, the group could clean up the illegal dumping? Could they help with Kasota Ponds? What is the typical sort of penalty? Cailin to follow up with City Attorney staff.
Kasota Ponds	Can we get camera signage? Something like "24 hour video surveillance" Cailin to follow up
Rain Garden Clean Up	Need weeding of rain gardens. What is the game plan for dealing with this over time? 15 rain gardens is about \$8,000 per year of maintenance costs. If we do just the two big ones, we need \$5,000 per year. Can Parks and Rec help? It's on city land. Can CRWD help with maintenance costs? Could we put together a proposal by the end of the CRWD deadline? Stephen will investigate.
Hampden Park	Is all of the money spent so far? What does maintenance funding look like?
Future Agenda Items	Home tour. Garden tour.
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