

**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**MARCH 2, 2010**  
**5:00 P.M.**  
**CITY HALL ANNEX, 1300 MAIN, CONFERENCE ROOM # 1**

Wayne Klostermann called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Buelow, Wayne Klostermann, Joe Suarez, Gayle Walter and Chad Oberdoerster

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ed Cawley. One seat remains vacant

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mary Rose Corrigan, Jon Brown, Don Vogt

Joe Suarez completed the Certification of Compliance with the Iowa Open Meetings Law.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mike Buelow moved to accept the Minutes of the January 5, 2010 meeting. Joe Suarez seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by a 5 – 0 by roll call vote.

**TEST AGENDA:**

Wayne Klostermann asked to add Dubuque 2.0 to agenda. It was stated this would be covered under the “Sustainability” agenda item. Mike Buelow moved to approve the agenda as published. Joe Suarez seconded the motion. Motion was approved by a 5-0 roll call vote.

**ITEMS FROM COMMISSION:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Car Wash Policy.**

Mary Rose Corrigan stated the City Council had received and filed the Commission’s letter. No staff action occurred as of this time. She will check on the Council’s direction. Wayne Klostermann stated that the Commission may want to remind the Council and write another letter. Chad Oberdoerster moved to draft another letter to the City Council. Joe Suarez seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5 – 0 roll call vote.

**ITEMS FROM STAFF:**

**OLD BUSINESS.**

**1. Sustainability.**

Mary Rose Corrigan met with various staff members about the Commission’s role in sustainability. She stated that Justin Thiltgen will address the Commission and give an overview of Dubuque 2.0 in April. He may ask for a representative from the Commission. In May, Cori Burbach will address the Commission regarding the City’s greenhouse gas inventory process, and the ESAC’s oversight of this process.

Chad Oberdoester stated that he has spoken to various people who were involved with the Sustainability Task Force that feel that they have been left out of Dubuque 2.0. The April Dubuque 2.0 presentation may clarify this issue.

A discussion followed regarding what the Commission's role in the Dubuque 2.0 process could be. It was generally accepted that the Commission could be a conduit for groups or people to bring their ideas, opinions, etc. Then the Commission could decide to make or not make recommendations to Dubuque 2.0 or the City Council.

There is a Dubuque 2.0 meeting on March 18, 2010 at 3:30 at the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque in the Roshek Building and the public is welcome.

## **2. Urban Deer Management Program.**

Mary Rose passed out information related to the deer hunt and aerial survey. She stated that the Chili Supper is March 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Bunker Hill. The hunters will give input at this meeting and Commissioners are invited to attend.

She stated that the aerial survey indicates that the deer numbers went up. One of the possible reasons is that in a harsh winter, deer travel further for food and into town where it is easier to find food. Another reason is in previous surveys, Zone L never had much counted and Zones J and K have expanded due to the city limits expanding. Following boundaries with no visible markers is very hard.

A short discussion took place about the deer counts and the coyote incentive. There were five coyotes harvested by hunters. A suggestion as been made that hunters could harvest coyotes year-round.

Chad Oberdoerster moved to accept the deer management plan information. Mike Buelow seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5 – 0 roll call vote.

Wayne Klostermann asked Jon Brown about progress with the Water Pollution Control Plan. Jon stated that progress is being made. The IDNR will review the plans and, hopefully, approve within thirty days. He's hoping construction can start in July.

Wayne Klostermann asked Don Vogt about the landfill methane project. Don stated that they are still waiting to hear from the IDNR. He stated that the gas collection system will be initiated sometime this summer if everything goes as planned. A short question and answer discussion took place.

### **ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

No one present to address the Commission.

### **CLARIFICATION OF TASKS:**

Mary Rose Corrigan will draft another letter from the Commission for Wayne Klostermann's signature regarding fundraising car washes.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Sustainability. Deer program.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

April 6, 2010.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mike Buelow moved to adjourn the meeting. Gayle Walter seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Motion was approved by a 5-0 roll call vote at 5:47 p.m.

MRC/cj