

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMISSION

February 4, 2014

5:00 P.M.

Carnegie-Stout Public Library, 360 W 11th St, Aigler Auditorium

Mike Buelow called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Buelow, Chad Oberdoerster, David Koch, Julie Beck, Aditi Sinha

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jacob Bergum, Kyle Leytem

STAFF PRESENT: Mary Rose Corrigan, Jon Brown, Don Vogt, Cori Burbach

Mary Rose Corrigan completed the Certification of Compliance with the Iowa Open Meetings Law.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

It was moved by Chad Oberdoerster to approve the January 7, 2014 Minutes. Julie Beck seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved as distributed by a 5-0 roll-call vote.

TEST AGENDA:

Julie Beck moved to approve the agenda. Aditi Sinha seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by a roll-call vote.

ITEMS FROM COMMISSION:

OLD BUSINESS:

Fracking Report

Commissioners discussed the draft fracking report distributed. All agreed the public input comments should be included in an addendum. A few points still need references which Mary Rose Corrigan, Jon Brown, David Koch, and others will research. Any additional changes, other than those discussed would have to be approved via e-mail by Feb. 11, 2014.

Mary Rose Corrigan discussed the City Council worksession format and it was agreed Mike Buelow would be the main spokesperson. Don Vogt will provide information on why we are discussing fracking, Mary Rose will give a presentation on fracking, Mike will present the report and then there will be time for questions etc. David Koch offered to bring U.D. geology professor, Dale Easley, to answer technical questions. All commissioners agreed on this format.

ITEMS FROM STAFF:

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Paul Schultz commented that fracking is an internationally controversial issue and there is a high likelihood of eventual failure, along with other comments related to fracking.

CLARIFICATION OF TASKS: Mary Rose Corrigan will finalize fracking report for submission to city council

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

By-laws, goal setting, economic development incentives for sustainability, storm water updt

NEXT MEETING DATE:

March 4, 2014 at 5:00 PM. City Hall Annex, 1300 Main St

ADJOURNMENT:

Julie Beck moved to adjourn the meeting. Aditi Sinha seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous roll-call vote at 6:45 PM.