

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

November 5, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Members of the Environmental Advisory Commission met on the above date at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom. Diego Llerena, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present. The following attended the meeting:

1. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS:

Diego Llerena
Ann Maxwell
Robert Shaw
David Ames

OTHERS PRESENT:

Daryl Norris, City of Greenville
Hayleigh Wade, City of Greenville

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Maxwell to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ames and passed unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 5, 2019 MINUTES

Dr. Ames made a motion to approve the March 5, 2020 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shaw and passed unanimously.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

7. COMMISSION REPORTS

A. ECU Sustainability Report

Mr. Carwein presented a PowerPoint detailing the sustainability efforts ECU has put into place to reach the goals outlined by Executive Order No. 80.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. EAC Sustainability Subcommittee Update

Dr. Ames stated the subcommittee has held three meetings this year. The latest meeting involved Council Member Meyerhoffer and City Manager Ann Wall. Mrs. Wall stated she would be willing to put together a report showing all the sustainability efforts each department have been conducting. Another meeting is supposed to be scheduled to continue planning efforts to reduce emission of greenhouse gases within the City of Greenville.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Stormwater Public Education & Outreach Committee

Mr. Norris presented the idea to reallocate funds from the EAC Grant into a new program through

a proposed Stormwater Public Education & Outreach Committee. This committee would work with local schools to provide funding to teachers to purchase Stormwater education materials. These materials would be used to education students on how Stormwater works and how they can make a difference. This committee would not be a subcommittee of the EAC however, there would be a seat on the committee for an EAC member to participate. The next step for this committee is for Mr. Norris to reach out to Pitt County Schools and ensure this program could take place.

B. Adopt-a-Stream

Mr. Norris explained the Adopt-a-Stream program and the intent to launch this program within the City of Greenville. Adopt-a-Stream is a program that allows volunteer organizations to “adopt” a section of stream that they would be responsible for picking up debris on a regular basis. This program would be supported by the Environmental Advisory Committee.

C. Earth Day/Stream Cleanup

Mr. Norris encouraged the EAC committee to promote an Earth Day cleanup event. The two big days that these events take place are Earth Day and The Big Sweep Day.

10. OTHER– FYI

None

11. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

The following items are proposed for the December 3, 2020 meeting:

A. Earth Day/Stream Cleanup

B. Recycling

C. Merger of Public Transportation in Greenville

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm due to lose of quorum. There was no other business to discuss.