

**MAHTOMEDI ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA
Mahtomedi City Hall
600 Stillwater Road
January 9, 2023
6:30 P.M.**

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| 1. CALL TO ORDER | 6:30 |
| 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA | |
| 3. APPROVAL OF THE December 12, 2022 MEETING MINUTES | |
| 4. OLD BUSINESS | 6:35 |
| - Solar Co-op | |
| - RITE of Spring 2023 | |
| - Sustainability Grant | |
| 5. NEW BUSINESS – | |
| 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS | 7:45 |
| 7. ADJOURNMENT | 8:00 |

MAHTOMEDI ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

December 12, 2022

A regular meeting of the Environmental Commission was held on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Present were Commission Members Maples, Seuffert, Roche, Smeija, Peterson, and Collins.

Also present: City Administrator Scott Neilson, Eric Zweber, WSB Planner, and Katie Macke.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Collins to approve agenda with Eric Zweber, WSB Planner moved to the first of the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Collins, seconded by Smeija to approve the November 14, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Sustainability Grant – Planner Eric Zweber from WSB reviewed the proposal for the grant work to be completed. The following project areas will be focused on: 1) Tree Removal, 2) Green Stormwater Infrastructure, 3) Parking and EV charging infrastructure, 4) Wind Energy, 5) Community Engagement, and 6) Sustainable Vegetation Management.

The Commission requested to be involved in the progress of the grant work and recommended focusing on Community Engagement and Sustainable Vegetation Management first. This is due to the RITE of Spring event in April and the creation of an ordinance allowing residents to plant items other than grass.

OLD BUSINESS

Solar Co-op – The Commission had no update on this item. It was suggested that a representative from Solar United Neighbors be invited to an upcoming Commission meeting. Commission member Collins will contact the representative.

RITE of Spring 2023 - The RITE of Spring event for 2023 is scheduled for Saturday, April 22nd from 10 to 1:00 p.m. at Wildwood Elementary School. The Commission briefly discussed the event and it was suggested a steering committee comprised of Commission members Scott Peterson, Tom Collins, and Christine Maples to assist in planning the event.

Invasive Species - Volunteer Katie Macke discussed with the Commission the work she has been doing removing invasive plant species from the areas near trails in the north end of the City. She is willing to work with volunteers and get the word out to anyone who wants to assist with this work.

NEW BUSINESS

Planner Eric Zweber was moved to the top of the agenda to discuss the Sustainability Grant.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. RITE of Spring 2023
2. Solar Co-op
3. Sustainability Grant

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Seuffert, seconded by Maples to Adjourn meeting, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05.

Submitted by:

Scott Neilson
City Administrator