

**City of Lino Lakes
Environmental Board Meeting**

**July 30, 2014
6:30 p.m.**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
May 28, 2014
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Open Mike
5. Action Items (No Action Items)
6. Discussion/Information Items
 - A. Recycling Assistant K.C. Kye , Recycling Updates, Progress Report
 - B. Blue Heron Days
 - C. Heron Rookery Updates
 - D. Community Gardens/New Sign
 - F. Project Updates
7. Adjourn

**CITY OF LINO LAKES
ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MINUTES**

DATE	: May 28, 2014
TIME STARTED	: 6:38 P.M.
TIME ENDED	: 7:35 P.M.
MEMBERS PRESENT	: Paula Andrzejewski, Martha DeHaven, Steve Heiskary, Kelly Jo McDonnell, Nancy Morin
MEMBERS ABSENT	: Barbra Bor, Nancie Klebba
STAFF PRESENT	: Marty Asleson

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Acting Chair Mr. Heiskary called the Lino Lakes Environmental Board meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. on May 28, 2014.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 26 and April 23, 2014

Ms. Andrzejewski made a MOTION to approve the March 26, 2014 and April 23, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Ms. McDonnell. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was approved with the following changes:

Remove – 6A – Review of Environmental Regulatory Laws

4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Public Hearing for Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan for the City of Lino Lakes and the Minnesota Correctional Facility in Lino Lakes

In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act, as amended and Minnesota Statutes Chapters 115 and 116, as amended, and Minnesota Rules Chapter 7001, the City of Lino Lakes has adopted a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and

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authorized its submittal to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency as part of the City's application for enrollment in the State of Minnesota's General National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Phase II Permit program. The permit authorizes the City of Lino Lakes and the Correctional Facility to discharge storm water.

As part of the SWPPP, the City and Correctional Facility must solicit public input at an annual meeting required under the Public Education and Outreach Plan including:

- A presentation about implementation of the City's Surface Water Pollution Prevention Program in 2013
- Affording interested persons an opportunity to make oral statements concerning the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program.
- Consideration of relevant written materials that interested persons submit concerning the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program.
- Consideration of public input in making adjustments to the 2013 implementation plan for the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program.

ANALYSIS:

According to the 1996 National Water Quality Inventory, stormwater runoff is a leading source of water pollution. Stormwater runoff can harm surface waters such as rivers, lakes, and streams which in turn cause or contribute to water quality standards being exceeded.

Stormwater runoff can change natural hydrologic patterns, accelerate stream flows, destroy aquatic habitats, and elevate pollutant concentrations and loadings. Development substantially increases impervious surfaces thereby increasing runoff from city streets, driveways, parking lots, and sidewalks, on which pollutants from human activities settle.

Common pollutants in runoff include pesticides, fertilizers, oils, metals, pathogens, salt, sediment, litter and other debris are transported via stormwater and discharged – untreated – to water resources through storm sewer systems.

The Stormwater Program for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4's) is designed to reduce the amount of sediment and pollution that enters surface and ground water from storm sewer systems to the maximum extent practicable. Stormwater discharges associated with MS4's are regulated through the use of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. NPDES permits are legal documents. Through this permit, the City and Correctional Facility are required to develop a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) that incorporates Best Management Practices (BMP's) applicable to their MS4.

Mr. David Rydeen and Mr. Bob Soule from the Lino Lakes Correctional Facility presented their Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program.

The correctional facility has a MS4 permit. The focus is on maintenance activities, lawn and grounds care, chemical storage, and spill prevention.

Some of the 2013 SWPPP highlights were that the staff attended winter and turf grass workshops and completed voluntary certification. Also partnered with the City of Lino Lakes on use of salt brine to pretreat their parking lots and walkways.

Minnesota Correctional Facility of Lino Lakes is preventing stormwater pollution by:

- Keeping parking and storage areas clean
- Maintaining BMPs for lawn and grounds care and snow removal
- Inspecting /cleaning storm drain inlets
- Performing pond/ditch maintenance as needed
- Providing employee and offender training on stormwater management including spill prevention

The Lino Lakes Correctional Facility goals for 2014 SWPPP are the following:

- Conduct on-going training sessions on pollution prevention
- Distribute educational materials to staff, offenders and visitors about facility SWPPP
- Post additional signage prohibiting dumping on grounds or into storm drains
- Inform outside contractors of facility IDDE program requirements
- Add rain barrels to reduce lawn and flower garden watering
- Reduce herbicide application by having offenders manually remove weeds in non-secured areas
- Evaluate the effectiveness of sand/salt reduction efforts using brine solution. Compare sand/salt use from year 1 and 2

Ms. Morin inquired about what is done with the food waste and was informed that the food waste is picked up by a pig farmer.

Mr. Greg Beckius from WSB & Associates presented the City of Lino Lakes portion of the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.

In 2013 the City of Lino Lakes has done the following for the SWPP program:

- Public education and outreach with the city's website, newsletter articles and Earth Day activities
- GIS mapping updates
- The city continues to educate violators of illicit discharge ordinance
- Inspect construction sites for the implementation of erosion and sediment control practices and monitor post construction

- Reduction of pollutants from municipal operations
- Prioritize system maintenance

The City of Lino Lakes goals for the 2014 SWPP plan are the following:

- Stormwater plan summary and revisions to existing Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan to be in compliance
- Ordinance review and update with newly issued MPCA MS4 permit
- Identify partnerships–written agreements with other regulated MS4s
- Standard operating procedures
- Refine enforcement response procedures which includes construction erosion and sediment control, and post-construction stormwater management (draft completed)
- Develop written procedures and go over training with staff
- Educational program-handouts, flyers, surveys, etc.
- Update the stormwater system map to include all pipes greater than 12in. in diameter, outfalls, structural stormwater BMPs, receiving waters, and ponds
- Develop a mechanism to track activities being completed by Lino Lakes (educational activities, complaints, plan reviews, inspections, etc.)

Mr. Asleson mentioned that by Lino Lakes Public Works building there is a new salt shed that is shared with Anoka County.

Mr. Payne stated that this is an improvement because when salt is stored outside, sand has to be mixed in with the sand. So now that the salt is stored indoors there is no sand in the salt when applied to the roads which is better for the environment.

Mr. Heiskary asked for the status of the budget and projects. Mr. Payne answered that they have been making progress.

Mr. Asleson stated there were three complaints. One was commercial-needed perimeter control, one residential and needed perimeter control one was the signal project on Ware Road that had exposed soils and all three have been resolved.

Acting Chair Mr. Heiskary closed public hearing at 7:10 pm

B. Isabelle Estates, Rezoning, Preliminary Plat and Variance Request

The applicant is requesting preliminary plat review, rezoning to R-1(Single Family) and a variance request for lot size, side yard setback and lot depth for a proposed residential development contain 3 new residential building pads. The proposed development contains 1.11 gross acres. The proposed total disturbed area is less than 1 acre.

The following recommendations were made by the Environmental Board concerning Isabelle Estates

1. Any imported soils must be approved by the City
2. A concrete washout area must be indicated on the Sediment and Erosion Control Plan
3. The Tree Preservation Plan and Landscape Plan shall be resubmitted in compliance with the ordinance
4. The developer will provided 1 boulevard tree per lot frontage for each house. Tree species must be the same species as those existing on the street. Arlo Lane would be Thornless Honeylocust, and Lois Lane would be Freeman Maple 'Celzam' if available
5. A sediment and erosion control plan must be submitted and acceptable to the City

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Earth Day

Mr. Alseson asked the Environmental Board how did the public react with the new activities and updated posters for Earth Day

Ms. Morin stated that the activities went well but would like to see more people attend and also more volunteers. Ms. Morin would like to see more advertising about the event.

The seed ball and Origami bird projects were well received and the children enjoyed participating in creating their own projects to take home.

Ms. Morin would like to see about doing a video of the right and wrong way of what not to put in the storm water system. Ms. Morin will contact the cable TV and will try to set up a meeting with them.

Mr. Alseson stated that the free mattress disposal coupons were received well by the public. On the Annual Recycling Day there were 23 mattress coupons collected

Mr. Alseson will put Earth Day prep work on February 2015 agenda.

B. Annual Recycling Day Update

Mr. Alseson stated that he didn't have all the totals yet but the only number he knew for sure was that there was 20 tons of steel.

C. Peltier Island Heron Rookery Update

Mr. Asleson is interested in getting Mr. Husveth to fly a drone in a couple of weeks to check out the heron activity.

D. Community Gardens

Ms. Morin suggested that a Facebook site could be started so that the gardeners can share ideas.

Ms. DeHaven is helping construct a sign for the Community Gardens.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Morin made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Motion was supported by Ms. DeHaven. Motion carried.

Next Environmental Board meeting is Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Fogarty

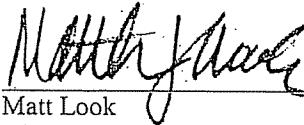
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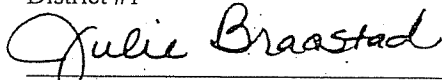
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For having one of the most improved drop-off programs. In 2013, the city increased recycling 55 tons than the previous year, which represents a 45% increase in the amount collected.

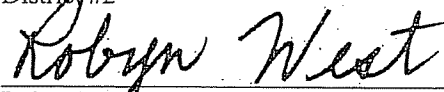
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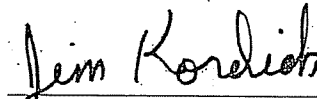
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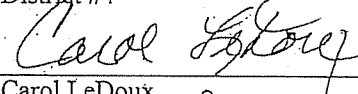
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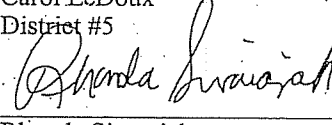
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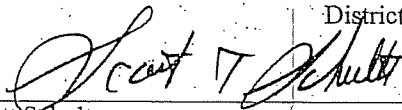
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District #6



Scott Schulte
District #7

Lino Lakes Recycling Information

www.facebook.com/LinoLakesRecycling
@LinoLakeRecycle

Thank you for your involvement in our community by reducing waste and encouraging recycling.



Licensed Haulers

1. Ace Solid Waste – 763-427-3110
2. Republic Services (prev. Allied Waste) – 763-784-2104
3. Walters Recycling & Refuse – 763-780-8464
4. Waste Management – 763-784-8349

Aluminum Cans

1. Centennial Fire Station No. 2 – 7741 Lake Dr, Lino Lakes, MN 55014
2. Centennial Fire Station No. 1 – 2 East Rd, Circle Pines, MN 55014

Recycling Events

1. *Recycling Saturdays* – Every 3rd Sat. of every month (except Aug. because of Blue Heron Days)
 - o Location – Lino Park Parking Lot (7850 Lake Drive)
2. Corn Roast – July 24th, 5:30-8pm
 - o Location – Sunrise Park (6918 Sunrise Drive)
3. Blue Heron Days August 15-17, with main activities on the 16th (Sat)
 - o Location – Mostly in Lino Park (7850 Lake Drive)

Resources for Residents

http://www.ci.lino-lakes.mn.us/index.asp?Type=B_LIST&SEC={6237EE93-EBAD-46A6-930E-335253CF4634}

Resources for Businesses

<http://www.anokacounty.us/363/Commercial-Recycling>

<http://www.rethinkrecycling.com/businesses>

Lino Lakes lauded for spike in recycling

by Ryan Howard/Editor | Posted: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 10:29 am

LINO LAKES — Given the chance, Lino Lakes residents want to recycle. That's the message the city's recycling program coordinators are learning after an increase in recycling drop-off days saw a huge jump in recycled content from city residents.

This month, Anoka County announced its "Most Improved Municipal Drop-Off Program" honors for the year of 2013, naming Lino Lakes and Linwood Township as the honorees. In 2013, Lino Lakes increased the amount of recycled tonnage collected to 121.5 tons, up from 66.3 tons in 2012.

"I think the residents of Lino Lakes are really enthusiastic about recycling," said Environmental Coordinator Marty Asleson.

Asleson said the change started happening when the city switched from a twice-yearly drop-off schedule to holding a drop-off day on the third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lino Park all year long. The switch was made in September 2012, thanks to a city partnership with local recycling business owner John Freiman. Some items, like appliances and electronics, can be recycled for a small fee, but many items like batteries, scrap metal and bicycles can be dropped off for free.

"We're offering more service and offering more things [that can be recycled] as well," said Asleson.

Asleson and Lino Lakes Recycling Intern KC Kye think that the importance of convenience in recycling can't be overstated. Asleson said fewer outdated household items are being found in ditches or in wetlands around the city, as residents now have an easy, regular outlet to dispose of their unneeded stuff.

In the true spirit of the "reuse, reduce, recycle" motto adopted by many conservationists, some of the items are recycled in the more traditional sense, while others are donated to be reused for a good cause.

Lawnmowers and snowblowers dropped off at the site, for example, are donated to a program that teaches disadvantaged people how to work on small engines.

"Then you end up with lawnmowers and snowblowers that other people can use," said Asleson.

Asleson said the county is under a lot of pressure from the state and federal government to increase recycling, which is one reason why the city was encouraged to increase its recycling output. However, he and Kye said the increase is also about community awareness and a desire to make sensible environmental choices.

"It basically means you're proud of a cleaner [city]," said Kye. "I think as more sustainable conservation happens at a local level, you can't get more hands-on [in the environmental process]."

In the future, the city would like to increase its recycling amounts even more and reduce its waste. The city has experimented with providing paper shredding and mattress recycling at the drop-off days, two features which have proved popular, and Asleson said more recycling services are hopefully on the way.

“One thing that we're going to be trying to do is offering [to recycle] furniture for free,” he said.

Kye is also working to get the word out about recycling. He's been reaching out to the city elementary schools about recycling initiatives, and the city is planning to reach out to some local business to find some “recycling champions” it can work with to reduce waste. Kye has also been talking with churches about recycling strategies, including St. Joseph of the Lakes Catholic Church, which Kye said has been working on sustainability and recycling improvements for more than a decade. The city is hoping that community partnerships and increased awareness can increase the recycled tonnage again in 2014.

For more information about the drop-off day, visit <http://tinyurl.com/p9cg6th>.