

**Falcon Heights Environment Commission**  
**September 12, 2016**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Chair Miazga, Vice Chair Montgomery, Secretary Olson, Staff Liaison Moretto, Mayor Lindstrom, Commissioners Hall, Holmes, and Wasserman.

1) Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes from the July 2016 meeting of the Environmental Commission was tabled until next meeting.

2) Comprehensive Surface Water Management Plan

Ryan Johnson, Environmental Specialist from the City of Roseville, gave a presentation on the draft update of the Surface Water Management Plan (CSWMP). Because of shared engineering services, the City of Falcon Heights' CSWMP is included with Roseville's update. The current plan must be revised because of Minnesota Rules. This next version of the plan is due by December 31, 2018.

Liaison Moretto will send out a link for comment by Commissioners.

3) Presentation by Erin Rupp

Erin Rupp, Pollinate Minnesota, presented information about Governor Dayton's recent orders to protect pollinators. Erin has a model resolution that the City could adopt to help implement best practices to become more pollinator friendly.

The Commission moved to include reviewing this resolution on the October meeting agenda.

4) Score Grant

The Score Grant provides funds to for recycling initiatives. Commission moved to request City Council allow City Staff to apply.

5) Leslie Brandt - Update

Motion was passed to encourage the City Council to act on providing staff time to complete Urban Forestry Vulnerability Worksheet.

6) Alliance for Sustainability Event Discussion

Agenda item was tabled until next meeting

#### 7) Blue Star Award Program

The Blue Star Award Program is similar to the Green Steps Program, but with more emphasis on water quality. Due to the limited surface water within Falcon Heights, points to qualify for the award may be difficult. Liasion Moretto asked the Commission to review the application. Further discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

#### 8) LoGoPEP Partner Cities update – Mayor

Mayor Lindstrom recently went to the kickoff meeting. This program helps to facilitate meeting Met Council's Comprehensive Plan requirements. Requests by City staff were made to involve the Commission in participating in future meetings.

#### 9) SolSmart – Mayor

The Mayor provided a draft letter in support of the City's participation in the SolSmart Program.

Motion was passed by Commission to encourage the City to complete and submit the letter.

#### 10) News and Announcements

No additional news was submitted

#### 11) Public Comment

No public comments were provided.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM

Next Meeting: Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016