

**City of Falcon Heights  
Environment Commission  
Monday, February 11, 2019  
6:30 pm  
Meeting Minutes**

**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

Jim Wassenberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL:**

Jim Wassenberg\_\_\_X\_ Nick Olson\_\_\_X\_  
Farook Meah\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Martin McCleery\_\_\_X\_\_\_  
Patrick Mathwig\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Ned Mohan\_\_\_X\_\_\_  
Jordyn Bucholtz \_X\_\_\_\_  
Council Liaison Lindstrom\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Staff Liaison Markon \_X\_\_\_\_

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The meeting minutes from September 10, 2018 were approved.

**D. AGENDA**

**1. Election of Officers**

Jim Wassenberg was reelected as chair, Nick Olson was elected as Vice Chair and Jordyn Bucholtz was elected as secretary.

**2. 2019 Work Plan and Goals**

Commissioners continued to discuss the list of ideas for Environment Commission for 2019. Jim Wassenberg discussed the use of a spreadsheet with contacts and collaborators for the sustainability fair. Peter Lindstrom discussed prospective grant opportunities. The commissioners discussed working with another city for the sustainability fair. Jim will be meeting with other environment commissions to discuss LED bulb program expansion. Nick discussed native landscaping. Peter will be bringing green building and beekeeping ideas to the retreat. Martin also shared information about the one pass trash hauler idea, which was referred to the City Council retreat.

**3. Consider voluntary stretch code**

Mayor Lindstrom introduced the idea of a voluntary stretch code, which was requested by the City of Minneapolis. There is a proposal before the state legislature which would expand the Sustainable Building 2030 program to cities who volunteer to put the measures of SB30 in place. Commissioners voted unanimously to recommend approval of the voluntary stretch code.

**4. Consider meatless Monday proposal**

Jordyn introduced meatless Monday as a project she is currently working on for a

policy class at the University of Minnesota. The idea of the program is for institutions like schools to forgo serving meat on one day each week to promote healthy eating habits and conserve energy. Jordyn is interested in if this proposal would be feasible at the Falcon Heights Elementary School. Commissioners offered suggestions about the program. Jim noted that attending a school board meeting would be a good step.

**E. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.