

**Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes
July 1, 2015**

Meeting was called to order at 6:11 pm by Chairperson Dave Colteryahn

In Attendance:

Dave Colteryahn, chair
Greg LoBuono, vice-chair
Veronica Craig
Becky Montag
Tom Nault
Rita Rings
Gwen Ritchie
Bob Schappacher, Parks and Recreation Representative

Absent: None. Two positions remain open following resignations.

The Commission members were shocked and saddened by the death of Rodney Spencer, Parks Board Liaison, who had died unexpectedly.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 6, 2015 meeting had been reviewed without comment but were not approved at the June 3rd meeting for lack of quorum. The minutes for the May 6, 2015 meeting and the minutes for the June 3, 2015 meeting were approved as submitted.

Standing Business

Correspondence/Articles:

Tom presented a Journal-News article about the Hamilton Tree Commission seeking two additional members.

Hours spent on EC activities:

Dave/1, Greg/1, Tom/3, Gwen/2

Adopt-A-Roadway:

Gwen cared for Muskopf during May/June. Veronica has July/August. Becky assumed November/December in place of Adam Sackenheim following his resignation. Becky also offered to introduce our newest member Rita to the process.

Parks Board Report

Bob reported the little that was known about Rodney Spencer's unexpected death.

The possibility was mentioned to plant a tree for Rodney Spencer in the Honor Grove at Creekside Park.

A Parks Board Liaison replacement will eventually be appointed.

Bob reported the completion of the land acquisition at Marsh Lake. Development is scheduled for next spring. RFPs are in process for the 3- to 5-year project to update Harbin Park.

Parks Department Report - Bob Schappacher

Trees on Woodridge Boulevard

It was mentioned to Bob that it seemed to Commission members that not all the designated trees had yet been removed.

Commissioner Reports

Friends of Fairfield Forest - nomination form Discussed potential nominations

Other Business

Bob mentioned that ash trees in Harbin Park have died even faster than anticipated.

Calendar

Parks Board Meeting- July 21, 2015 at 6:00 pm

EC Meeting - August 5, 2015 at 6:00 pm, CAC

Meeting was adjourned at 6:41 pm.