



# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION MINUTES February 1, 2017

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## Members Present

Peter Heim  
Donald Howard  
Jeremy Rose  
Melissa Short  
Jakob Skowronski

Eddie Dingler-Town Board  
Craig Culberson; Staff Liaison

## Members absent

John Costello

Billy Wilson

Meeting started at 6:31 p.m.

Minutes approved.

Commissioner Dingler: No report

Mayors Challenge for Conservation. Mayors coalition; Pushes water conservation initiatives through April. EPC could acknowledge and perhaps work with PIO office to get out information. And support on Facebook or other outlets. Go onto site to pledge support. A PSA couple possibly be done for this challenge. You sign in through email or Facebook. The site keeps track of conservation per city.

Solar: Peter, Bring everyone up to speed on the proposal. The idea came down to see if North Main Park could be set up on solar energy. An RFP has been proposed, but not sent out. Peter and Craig met to get RFP moved forward again so that it can be sent out. Peter listed items that needed to be addressed to finalize the RFP. David Whitaker of the town provided an RFP template and some backup information and examples of RFP from other places. Need a process to review the RFP and make sure that all of the necessary items are covered. Peter provided copies for mark up and review of the RFP. Package includes the RFP, a document checklist, a paper copy and a digital copy, cover letter and backup materials. Craig will scan documents and send to EPC for review. Please read through and make list of comments. Reply all, so the everyone has a chance to see them. There are currently four companies to send the RFP to.

This will be a fact-finding mission and getting general pricing for the project. Eddie Dingler can then take it to the board for discussion and possible funding for the project. The EPC has money that has

been designated for the project that could be applied toward the project. Has the town considered replacing the stadium lights with LED lights? That may reduce the consumption that is needed.

The proposals need to be indicative of what is needed to keep the park neutral. There are four firms that will be receiving the RFP. If successful, this could be the first of several locations that could be utilized in town.

The RFP would typically include a visit to the site. Peter will try to be available if needed. Eddie will begin discussion at the board retreat. If the RFP looks promising, a presentation can be made to the Town Board for information.

Discussion of possibilities for Arbor Day Celebration. Another school? another location? Has been done at Town Hall, has been done at a downtown park, has been done at Park View Elementary School and South School.

We have donated trees and last year a butterfly garden.

Mooresville third graders are studying Earth Day around Arbor Day.

Options:

Another butterfly garden, Target additional parks in town. Possibly do the celebration at a town park.

Involve Eagle Scouts if possible. Arbor Day at another elementary school.

Other project ideas:

Storm drain marking project is out of markers. More on order.

Stream cleanup (possibly with LNWC)

There was a brief discussion about the use of EPC funds.

Discussion of solar applications for non-electrified area such as greenways. How does the technology work? Can these be used on town greenway areas?

Other informational signage along the greenways.

Is there a way to add signage to informational signs around town encouraging conservation?

Can the EPC sponsor a scholarship? Application including a project idea or implementation? What would you get out of it in return? Similar to sanitation truck design contest.

What parameters would be used to determine a recipient? Mooresville, Lake Norman High?

There would need to be a deliverable for the project.

No other business.

Motion to adjourn.

Peter Motion, Second Jakob. 7:30 pm