BERKLEY ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting of September 26, 2019

6:30 PM Public Safety Building 2nd Floor

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – 6:35 pm

2. Welcome and Introductions
   - Members – Mark Richardson, Audrey Pace, Jess Heath, Roman Laczkovich
   - Council Liaison – Ross Gavin
   - Guests – Chris Bobryk

3. Agenda Approved by vote of 5-0

4. Minutes of January 2019 meeting approved

5. Chairperson’s Report – M. Richardson
   - City Council approved the energy plan at meeting in August
   - Next year’s budget will include a facilities manager, which includes energy manager roles. Will discuss in further detail next month.
   - Discussion of proposed bike corral at next year’s Irish Fest.

6. City Council Liaison Report – Councilperson Gavin
   - City Council has retained Carlisle/Wortman to update Master Plan
     o M. Richardson would like to have a more active role in this, specifically as it relates to transportation.
   - Planning Commission approved marijuana facilities in the City as Special Land Use. Will go to City Council in October

7. Action Item: Electronics Recycling Day – October 26
   - D. Scheuller has indicated the only date available for event is October 26. Looking for 5-10 volunteers.
   - Would likely be at the community center site.
   - Voted on and approved electronics recycling day.

8. Presentation: CRWC Watertowns Initiative
   - Chris Bobryk from Clinton River Watershed Council provided presentation on Watertowns program
• Program to help communities reconnect with water resources
• Funding is coming up for renewal soon so additional communities may have opportunity to participate
• $5,000 mini grants are available to help spur projects
• Completely free to all communities. 8 month process, including 3 meetings, and development of plans. Would need community resolution.
• Next steps would be to bring DPW, City Council members, etc. for initial meeting.
• CRWC budget will be finalized in December. Process would not start until April 2020.
• Vote to make recommendation to Council to become a Watertown. Motion passes 5-0.

9. Old Business

• Recycler of the Year – Brandon to look into updating the applications and prizes. Were discussing awarding around November 15. However, discussed moving to an Earth Day award.
• Rain Barrels – Set up a presentation and provide PR for a rain barrel company. Michigan Rain Barrel. Jess Heath has volunteered to follow up. Will shoot for a February or March presentation.

10. New Business – None

11. Announcements

12. Meeting Adjourned – 7:45