



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Meeting Minutes and Action Items: January 20, 2016

Chair:	Soriano
Others Present:	Budica, Killey, Sheldon, Miller, Nicolson, Coffman
Absent:	2 Vacancies
City Staff:	Graham
Commission:	Kalmick
Council Members:	None
Public:	Michelle Clemente, Gordon Smith, Shannon Pollacchi, Shawn Thompson
Speaker:	Gordon Smith

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Review of August minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Budica, seconded by Miller

III. Public Comments

A-1. Speaker: Gordon Smith gave an overview of the Huntington Beach Wetlands Society and their current projects.

A-2. Michelle Clemente, resident of HB and works for Newport Beach as Resource Supervisor and interested in Environmental Board.

A-3. Shannon Pollacchi, Resident of HB and works for Waste Management. She is interested in the Environmental Board.

A-4. Shawn Thompson, Civil Engineer background in multiple disciplines and works for Energy Coalition. She is interested in Environmental Board.

IV. Action Items

A. EIRs

A-1. Mitigated Negative Declaration on Delaware will be coming in a couple of months.

V. Committee Updates

A. Executive Committee

A-1. Nothing to report

B. Resource Management Committee

B-1. Battery Recycling at City Facilities: HB Fire department does not take batteries, but City staff is working on pilot program with the Library. Staff is working to see if the Library can be the collection center as part of a program with Call2Recycle. In the meantime, residents can take their batteries to one of Orange County's 4 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Centers, one of which is at Rainbow located on Nichols in Huntington Beach.

C. Ocean Debris & Water Quality Committee

C-1. Surfriider Beach Clean-up: On 1/16/16, 287 volunteers collected 684 lbs of trash. Additional clean-ups at the beach done by Orange Coast Keepers the 2nd Saturday of each month.

C-2. Adopt a Channel: Non Profit and For Profit companies adopting a section of the Santa Ana River. Each organization will have their logo displayed on a sign by the river. OC Public Works and OC Watershed are supporting this endeavor.

C-3. Ocean Debris: Nothing to report

C-3i. Coastal Waste Containers: The trash cans haven't been replaced yet as the lids/replacements are still on order. Another observation about the current black cans are that they have holes at the bottom possibly from fire pits as they look melted).

D. Natural Environment

D-1. Orange County River Park: Bird Count 1/3/15 along PCH and up Santa Ana River to Fairview Park as a part of Audubon's annual Christmas bird count which started in 1900. Strategic planning meeting the beginning of February to strategize how to work with different agencies.

D-2. Bartlett Park Construction Update: City moving forward with going out to bid on lighting, fencing, and trails.

E. Energy Issues

E-1. Streetlight Update: Graham reported that the CEC loan Award was received for \$3 million at 1% from Energy Commission. Edison says that the agreement going to CPUC in February.

E-2. EPIC Challenge: Participating with UCI and private developer to apply for a grant in Oakview area. Graham looking for letter of support from the EB. Killey made motion to approve creation of letter and Budica seconded. Voting was unanimous. Graham will coordinate with Soriano.

VI. Administrative Items

A. Environmental Board Procedural Matters: City Council removed agenda item to approval goals and annual report because mayor requested shorter meeting. Graham will add to agenda once new EB members are selected and require approval in late February early March.

VII. Environmental Board Requests

A. Speaker Requests: Ocean Defender

B. Field Trips: Plastics Recycling, Styrofoam Recycling, Long Beach WTE facility

C. Agenda Requests:

a. Add agenda item to Natural Resources for Central Park Beautification Update.

b. Coffman requested update from city engineers at storm water on grants and projects.

VIII. Environmental Board Comments

A. April 23 for Trash Pick-up in the park.

B. April 16 OHANA Day in Seal Beach.

C. Toyota Fuel cell car on display tonight.

D. Alternative Fuel conference in May 2016.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.