



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Meeting Minutes and Action Items: July 3, 2014

Chairman:	Coffman (turned over to Nicolson after elections)
Others Present:	Gordon, Nicolson, Sheldon, Schaaf
Absent:	Soriano, Bechtold
City Staff:	Aaron Klemm
Commission:	Dan Kalmick
Council Members:	None
Public:	Janielle Godges, Greg Blake

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

No minutes from previous meetings were presented.

III. Public Comments

Janielle Godges of Southern California Edison discussed the plans to re-landscape the Hamilton Service Center (corner of Hamilton and Brookhurst). The project will be a sustainable landscape renovation which will capture all rain water and use minimal water for the plants and trees. The project budget is about \$500,000. Edison estimates the cost to be higher, so some fund raising will be required to complete the work.

Greg Blake of Biosynthetic Technologies discussed synthetic lubricant oil. Large amounts of lubricant oil reach oceans and rivers from automobile leaks. Replacing petroleum based lubricants with biodegradable synthetic lubricants can mitigate this problem. Synthetic lubricants are more expensive, but last longer.

IV. Action Items:

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- Elections were held. The new members on the committee are:
 - i. Chair – Kim Nicolson
 - ii. Vice-Chair – Mark Sheldon
 - iii. Secretary – Jessica Bechtold
- Green Expo Update – The Green Expo will be September 13. The Environmental Board will have a booth. Meetings for the Expo are the 3rd Monday of each month at 2:30 PM at the Chamber of Commerce.

B. EIR – none

- C. Resource Management committee (Gordon/Coffman/Bechtold/Soriano)
 - Re-usable bags – No update
 - Styrofoam work with Sustainable Surf City (SSC) – On hold to after the November elections
 - Ocean Friendly restaurants – Meetings are being held at the Shorebreak Hotel with Jessica Bechtold chairing

- D. General Plan committee – (Coffman, Bechtold, Schaaf alternate)
 - Open Space (Schaaf) – No update
 - Coastal (Davis, Coffman, Schaaf) – No update
 - Sustainability Action Plan (Sheldon, Gordon, Soriano) – There will be a meeting July 15
 - Sea level Rise – (Schaaf) – There will be a meeting in July or August
 - Public Health & Hazards (Nicolson) – No update
 - Circulation – Complete streets (Coffman, Sheldon) – No update

- E. Ocean Debris committee (Nicolson/Coffman/Soriano)
 - Outreach – Adopt a River/Channel Discussion – (Coffman) – No update
 - Water Quality Topics – No update
 - Beach cleanup pounds of trash removed – No update

- F. Environmental Awards (Gordon/Nicolson) – Will start soliciting interest as soon as the new school year begins.

V. Administrative Items:

- A. Correspondence/News Articles/Announcements

- B. Requests to Place Items on the Next 3 Agendas
 - Grassy Knoll project at the corner of Seapoint and Garfield (Joe Berg to talk about water conservation)
 - SCE sustainable landscape renovation project

VI. Good and Welfare: This will be Aaron Klemm's last meeting as Staff Liaison. Aaron has accepted a position with the County of Los Angeles.

VII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 7:15. The next meeting is at 5:30pm on August 7th, 2014

VIII. Preview of upcoming meetings:

August – Southern OC Watershed Authority – Ocean Acidification

September – CHERP – John Shipman

October – Mayor's Challenge – Lenica Castner