Environment & Energy Commission

Minutes of the November 4, 2014 Meeting Village Hall, Room 130

PRESENT: Commissioners: Nick Bridge, Bob Peterson, Carolyn Cullen, Hanna Kwiecinska, Bill Burns, Alex Frank and Michael O'Rourke

ABSENT: Peter Hugh, Townsend Bailey

STAFF: Karen Rozmus

The October 7 minutes were approved unanimously.

Chairperson Report: EEC Chair Bridge reported that he attended several PlanltGreen core committee meetings and there will be an Institutional Leaders forum held on November 12. He also reported that Karen will talk about the compost program, Rob Sproule will talk about the new tree inventory and Bill McKenna will report on the green alleys. Chair Bridge reported that he met with Trustee Ott to discuss sustainability partnerships with River Forest and Forest Park. Chair Bridge attended the quarterly Chairpersons' meeting and the Board of Health Chair expressed an interest in co-hosting a forum on mosquito spraying.

Staff Reports: Staff report from Karen Rozmus was accepted.

Public Comment: None.

Guests: None.

Discussion Items

A. Plastic Bag Ordinance

Commissioner Cullen led the discussion on what other communities are doing based on information that Karen had distributed. Commissioner Kwiecinska commented that whatever direction EEC wants to pursue, there will be a need for public input. Commissioner Cullen and Karen will work on a survey for residents and businesses.

B. Pesticide Awareness

Commissioner Cullen asked to postpone this item to the December meeting.

C. Green Awards

Commissioner Peterson reported that arrangements are being made and invitations will be sent out soon.

D. Review 2015 Work Plan

Chair Bridge asked members to put their names in on the tasks they want to work on in 2015.

New Business

None.

Adjourn: 8:13 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by
Karen Rozmus