Minutes
Environmental Advisory Board
October 23, 2019 at 7:00pm
Mahany/Meininger Senior/Community Center
3500 Marias Avenue
Royal Oak, MI 48073


Absent: T. Purrenhage

Public: D. Sloan,

1. Approval of September 2019 Minutes

2. Greg Rassel Report – Aaron Flippski will take over Greg Rassel’s position as director for DPS. Today, Oct 23, was Aaron’s first day. Recycling Prices (quarterly) shared with ROEAB via email. One year ago, board of commissioners made the Environmental Advisory Board the Water Advisory Board for Royal Oak. The board is tasked mostly tasked with public education. Lead/Cooper action level for Royal Oak – press release has been drafted and will be issued soon.

3. City Commissioner Report – Shar Douglas – City attorney is currently acting as the city manager. The city commissioners approved the use semi-permeable surfaces for residents (no gravel, no stones). New 11 Mile parking structure has permeable surface on the east side. Nationwide search for City Manager.

4. Public Comment – no public comment

5. Updates/Discussion
   - Environmental Lecture Series (Amanda): March 1, Recycling Demystified – T. Purrenhage; March 8 - Residential Stormwater Project - Andrew Sarpolis; March 22, Timing is Everything: Bees, Plants and Climate Change. March 29, DTE & Consumers Rebate Programs.
   - What day celebrate Earth Day? April 25? Spring Recycling Day (date).
   - Roam Home Event Oct 19th (Chris) – 30 groups at Royal Oak Middle School. Most of the groups part of the Royal Oak Inter-Club Council. At least 20 people stopped by. ROEAB got an invitation to set up a table at kids concert at the Farmer’s Market on March 14. Royal Oak Middle School and High School has an organization called Teen Clean Closet – drop off and donate hygiene products.
   - Royal Oak Tree Canopy (Ann) – moved to January 2020
   - Sustainability Plan (Julie) – continuing to work on sustainability plan. Recently submitted LEED grant.
   - Demolition Asbestos/Lead Abatement (Tom/Nicholas) – permit to demolish house required but no requirements on controlling lead and asbestos. Let’s look at how other cities are regulating this.
   - Green Team – not present – but will join us on Recycling tour.
6. **Important Dates:**
   - Election Day November 5, 2019

7. **Next Meeting:** MRF Tour November 20, 2019 – 7pm.
   Royal Oak Green Team will join recycling tour.
   Pilot program to collect candy wrappers – Halloween

- Motion to adjourn – K. Pierson. W. Gontina - second.