

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall, 3rd Floor 1717 E. Park Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members: Darla LeClair, Douglas Brandt, Donald DeBruyn, Jake Glaser, Jay Orvis,

Corinne Weis

Staff and Others: Matthew Heckenlaible, Scott Ahl

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the March 19, 2024, Environmental Advisory Board meeting

4. PUBLIC INPUT

5. NEW ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION, IF NEEDED

- A. Lake Michigan Bird Observatory Grant Mike Mathis, Parks Director
- B. Earth Day presentation at Arboretum presentation given by City Council Member Darla LeClair
- C. City website EAB page
- D. Logo design
- E. Partnership with Van der Brohe Arboretum
 - 1. John Durbrow would like input from the board regarding including a section focused on green infrastructure to include DIY rain gardens and vertical plantings, for example, and the scope of our involvement.
 - a. What is our goal? Stormwater mitigation?
 - b. Why is this important? prevent toxins, solids, pollutants from entering the stormwater system
 - c. Where? Discuss how much land we will need/can use.
 - d. Who is responsible for design, costs (plants, seeds, etc.) and maintenance?
 - e. Plan in 2024 and start work in 2025
- F. Bee City designation
- G. Low mow May

6. ONGOING ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION, AS NEEDED

- A. Paddler's Park
 - 1. Riparian planting native species (Corinne)
- B. Two Rivers fire department garden
 - 1. Started researching non-traditional/dwarf vegetable plants and first pass layout for 2025 trials
- C. Northeast Lakeshore TMDL/Urban Non-Point Source Grant
- D. Update on front yard vegetable gardens/gardening
 - 1. Start publicizing now
 - 2. Contacting supply partners
 - 3. Forms and links available on city website

- 4. Where do we go from here?
 - a. Set up citizen led cooperative
 - b. Self-policing
- F. Winter Educational Series dates and topics (proposed)
 - 1. October 10, 2025 John Durbrow Arboretum current and future projects, plans and events and the importance of trees and wildlife.
 - 2. November 14, 2025 Sue Crowley(?) Intro to birding attraction and feeding and birds of prey
 - 3. December 12, 2025 Tara Wachowski (?) Stormwater management for the homeowner How to design a rain garden and suggested plants
 - 4. January 9th, 2026 Titus Seilheimer Threatened and endangered fish species, fish farming and planting, big picture focus on the fishing industry, both commercial and charter.
 - 5. February 13, 2026 Mike Mathis (?) Tree inventory and emerald ash bore update; TR parks grants received and past, present and future projects
 - 6. March 13, 2026 DNR Wildlife of Wisconsin (?) What to do if you come across an injured wild
 - 7. April 10, 2026 Michael Ditmer (?) Light pollution and animal confusion animal and nuisance animals and how to deter them. Also state wide wildlife issues, etc.
 - 8. Add a May date to offer a program on the importance of sustainable development for future generations.
 - 9. Hand out Corinne's short survey to attendees in order to determine where and how they heard about the educational series and what future topics they would like more information about.

7. OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD, WITH CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF NEEDED

8. SET DATE, TIME, AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING Proposed for Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 5:30 pm.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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