



**Environmental Advisory Committee
Minutes**
October 18, 2011–6 p.m.
McCall Library
218 East Park Street, McCall, ID 83638



COMMITTEE MEETING – Began at 6 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Claire Remsberg, Cindy Miller, Ruth Lewinski, Fred Coriell, and Lindsey Truxel were present.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The approval of the September 20, 2011 minutes was tabled until the November 15, 2011 meeting.

MCCALL IN BLOOM AWARD

Staff provided information regarding McCall's participation in the America in Bloom program. McCall received a 4-bloom rating with recognition for the City's environmental efforts and received a criteria award for environmental awareness. McCall also received special mention for the golf course, which the judges said is the most environmentally friendly course they have ever encountered and should serve as a model for other communities.

MCCALL GOLF COURSE UPDATE

Golf course staff provided an update of McCall Golf Course's Green Projects, including efforts to reduce fertilizer inputs, improve natural water filtration (i.e. letting grass grow long along streams), participation in McCall High School science class water study, recycling, tree removal and replacement, lighting upgrades, swallow and bat houses for mosquito abatement, upgrading of irrigation pump station with a variable frequency drive, and use of organic fertilizer. Future desired projects include purchase of a new ozone/oxygen generator, and a solar system to charge electric carts.

RECYCLING UPDATE

Morgan, in an email, summarized her correspondence with Ralph McKenzie, Solid Waste program coordinator for Valley County. He indicated that Lakeshore Disposal's proposal to the County for curb-side recycling was rejected. An increase of \$8 per single-source container would have been passed on to the consumers. The current budget for recycling goes toward making up the costs in labor, not recouped from the value of the recycled materials.

Committee members suggested that inviting a County Commissioner to attend a future EAC meeting would be beneficial to begin a dialogue regarding City-County cooperative environmental efforts. Staff will invite County Commissioners to the next EAC meeting.

CDBG LETTER OF SUPPORT

Staff provided information about the City's intent to submit a Community Development Block Grant application to the Department of Commerce to support drainage improvements and construction of curb, gutter, and sidewalk along a section of 3rd Street and invited the EAC to submit a letter in support of the grant application. Claire will write the letter on behalf of the committee.

OTHER

None.

ADJOURNMENT

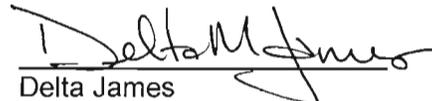
The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Date: November 15, 2011

Attest:



Claire Remsberg
EAC Chair



Delta James
City Planner