

Environmental Advisory Committee
August 20, 2020
Remote meeting
Minutes
Call to Order at 7:03 p.m.

1. Attendance:

Member	
Julie Petrik	absent
Daniel Brooks	X
Mari Masalin-Cooper (Secretary)	absent
Sarah Jo Sautter	excused
Bridget McKinley	X
Vacancy	
Aaron Retish	X
Ben Falik (Chair)	X
David Egan	absent
Vacancy (student representative)	
Jeff Jenks (Commission Liaison)	X
Tara Pieron (DPW)	X
Amy Sullivan (City Manager)	X
Public Participants:	

2. **July 2020 Minutes** - approved
3. **Food compost media campaign** – Sarah Jo is preparing a Google doc for the project. She will send a link to the committee. The item is tabled until September.
4. **Green Infrastructure:**
 - a. Rain barrel giveaway – the rain barrel giveaway was very well received. The 20 free barrels were all reserved within 30 minutes of the promotion in the eblast. The Committee would like to explore obtaining funding from the Men’s Club or a grant and offer a 50% rain barrel promotion in the spring.
5. **Solar ordinance update** – the discussion with the Planning Commission is this Monday. Ben and Aaron urged everyone to attend the remote meeting. The discussion points will be eliminating the need for any site plan approval for solar panels regardless of location and if there is opposition, what are those concerns so they can be addressed in future meetings.
6. **Public Participation** - none
7. **New Business** - none
8. **Committee member remarks** - Ben noted that there is a special SOCRRA collection event in Oak Park next week. He wondered if Huntington Woods could host one. Tara thought it was unlikely given the size of the DPW yard, it could not accommodate the expected number of visitors from all SOCRRA communities. Aaron asked if COVID had impacted recyclable collection. Amy went over the SOCRRA tonnage analysis for July 2018, 2019 and 2020.
9. Next meeting is on September 17, 2020
10. Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.