

# Charter Township of Orion

## Oakland County, Michigan

### Environmental Resources Committee Minutes

Regular Meeting, Thursday, October 4, 2018

Orion Center, Dining Room B

7:00 PM

1. **Call to order** by the Chair: 7:07 pm
2. **Roll call:**  
Present: George Hanley, Mike Flood, Mike Deluca, Jessie Richmond  
Absent (with notice): Harold Flood, Rodney Tocco, Corinna Womack, Matt Menghini
3. **Determination of a quorum:** yes
4. **Public comments:** None
5. **Regular order of business**
  - a. **Approval of minutes** from September 2018 meeting: Richmond made a motion to amend section 5.c.i of the minutes. Motion was seconded by M. Flood; motion carried.
  - b. **Approval of agenda** for the October 2018 regular meeting: M. Flood made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Deluca; motion carried.
  - c. **Pending business**
    - i. Green Business award status: Deluca talked to Tina Morin at Nutz about Chocolate and was given an informational packet about their sustainability efforts and fair trade practices. All their packaging is recyclable or compostable. Committee agreed that this small business meets the intent of the Green Business award and should be nominated for recognition in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2018. Deluca will complete the nomination form and forward to M. Flood to present to Chris Barnett. Flood will also request the topic be added to the agenda of the Board of Trustees meeting on October 29, 2018. Deluca will contact M&B Graphics for a quote to prepare a plaque or certificate to present to the award winner. Committee members should be prepared to provide nominees for recognition in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2019 at our December ERC meeting.
    - ii. Logo contest 2019: Deluca contacted Lake Orion Schools with information on this year's contest. One response has been received from an art teacher at Lake Orion High School thanking him for providing the information in such a timely manner. Karen Knox of the Orion Township library is willing to share space on the bags for both logos. Hanley would like to get a quote for creating a display at the high school of all the entries.
    - iii. Phragmites update: Hanley met with Jeff Stout earlier today. He has 14 approved projects with signed contracts, including 4 township properties. Hanley shared a printout of an Orion Township ROW Phragmites treatment map which highlights all the road right of ways that were treated in collaboration with the Oakland County Road Commission.

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The team also discussed several individual treatment cases and the positive success rate.

- iv. Membership: No new applications have been received for the open positions on the committee. M. Flood will talk to Trustee Julia Dalrymple to see if she could recommend a student member. Hanley will contact a student guest from one of our previous meetings.

### 6. New Business

- i. Review of environmental page of Township website: During the meeting it was confirmed that the duplicate posting Environmental Resources List has been removed from the Township website. M. Flood will speak with the proofreader for the Township Outreach newsletter to ensure the most recent version of the list will appear in the next issue. The current issue has an outdated list. Consideration of a full review of the environmental page on the website was tabled until more committee members were present.

### 7. Reports:

- a. **No Haz** – M. Flood reported that the last event is coming up on October 13. He has not received any data yet from the September event. Flood emailed information from NoHaz to the committee members outlining their budget planning for next year.

8. **Committee comments**: Deluca asked if any members had heard that a cannabis business park will be built in the Township. M. Flood confirmed that there is a proposal to build one on Premier Drive.

9. **Adjournment**: M. Flood moved to adjourn at 8:09 PM, seconded by Deluca; motion carried.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 1 , 2018  
7:00 PM  
Orion Center, Arts & Crafts Room