

Charter Township of Orion

Oakland County, Michigan

Environmental Resources Committee Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting, Thursday, May 2, 2019

Orion Center

7:00 PM

1. Call to order by the Chair - 7:05pm
2. Roll call – Mike Flood, George Hanley, Rodney Tocco, Corinna Womack, Matt Menghini
3. Determination of a quorum – yes
4. Public comments - Michelle Arquette-Palermo, Seth Miatech
 - a. Seth Miatech– “During Orion Greenup day, Lake Orion HS must do 40 hrs of community service, can we specialize the students to do once a month to clean up? This would help teach students about cleaning up, deter them from littering, and teach values of keeping the environment clean.”
 - b. Michelle Arquette-Palermo – “Every Wednesday and XX day, students do a clean-up. Perhaps someone from the Township should help provide a location for clean-up. Industry volunteers also help, such as Chrysler, GM, etc. Clean up is also done on the lake. Perhaps OTERC can help organize this effort.” George commented that he liked that idea.
5. Regular order of business
 - a. Approval of minutes from April 2019 meeting - **C. Womack sent follow up email to Paige on 5/2/19***
 - b. Approval of agenda for May 2019 regular meeting - Motion to approve the agenda as modified; motion moved by R. Tocco and seconded by M. Menghini
 - c. Pending business
 - i. NO HAZ April 13, 2019 Oxford collection event – Mike Flood provided summary of No Haz event: Back on 13 April, The event had 500 cars in the first 2 hours with a wait time of about 10 minutes. They had a total of 1185 vehicles which was a 9% increase from 2018. Orion (336 vehicles processed) and Oxford (298 vehicles processed) were the top two participating north Oakland County communities. Next scheduled No Haz day is on June 22 at Oakland University and are always looking for volunteers.
 - ii. New Trash Hauler(s) update – Mike Flood provided hardcopies (as posted Township website) of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials Collection Services FAQ Sheet. Orion Township currently-has 5 approved waste haulers, including the 2 recently permitted new waste haulers: Community Disposal and TNR Lawn & Dumpster. It is possible for neighbors to have different price rates based on the individual township resident negotiating their contractual contract for the cost of trash pickup by the respective trash hauler companies.
 - iii. Single Hauler Assessment – Mike Flood provided a hardcopy of the Single Hauler Information Sheet as posted on Township Website. Supervisor Chris

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Barnett, Trustees Mike Flood, Brian Birney, township attorney Dan Kelly and with the assistance of the supervisor's Chief Assistant Samantha Timko, are the appointed members serving on the township Ord. 73 Update Consolidated Trash Hauler ad-hoc committee. The distribution of the proposed consolidated trash hauler Request for Proposal (RFP) was posted on the MITN (Michigan Inter-governmental Trade Network) website on May 1, 2019. Trustee Mike Flood also distributed a hardcopy of the Tentative Timeline for Proposal Process chart as defined in the posted MITN website RFP.

- iv. Mike Flood provided a hardcopy sheet (as posted on Republic Services website) that provides five (5) visual examples of the various sizes residential carts for solid waste (garbage), recycling and organics (lawn debris).
 - v. Ord. 73 Consolidated Trash Hauler Update – Mike Flood stated, regardless or not the consolidated trash hauler ordinance is approved or not approved by the Board, current existing Ord. 73 will require to be updated.
- d. New business:
- i. Green Up day projects - previous year and new – George Hanley stated that there are about 30 projects, with 22 on the April 27 Green Up day list. 13 were completed, and 9 projects are expected to be completed by a church group on May 4.
 - ii. Green Up Award nominations for next quarter – George Hanley stated that M. Deluca presented the Green Up award to the Nutz About Chocolate owners last month. Mike Flood presented a 2nd quarter award to the Oakland County Sheriff's Lake Orion station on April 15 and George presented an award to Village Police Department on April 22. In each case, the award recognized the voluntary maintenance and management of an expired medications lock box to eliminate improper disposal of meds or acquisition and usage by individuals. G. Hanley also commented that J. Richmond had suggested Kay Automotive Graphics to be investigated as a potential candidate. . The company has been recognized by the state for its environmental program. More information will be needed for the OTERC committee to make a determination and other suggestions may be submitted. M. Arquette-Palermo recommended that we recognize a group who may have provided outstanding services such as provided volunteers or other resources to assist with local environmental activities such as Green Up day. G. Hanley will contact Aaron Whatley for additional recommendations for groups that may have assisted in the past.
 - iii. Environmental Resources List update - Target June – G. Hanley stated that this resource list which is made available to the public is in process of being updated by M. Flood, P. Porter and him to be the publication deadline.
 - iv. Membership updates: S. Miatech and M. Arquette-Palermo may be interested in joining the committee. Deluca was Board approved as a non-voting member for a term expiring on 12/31/2020.
 - v. No Haz Service Job Opportunities – No Haz is always looking for volunteers. The pay-for-work opportunity raised by J. Richmond at the last meeting is still available.
6. Committee comments
- a. M. Flood – Free Disposal Day at Eagle Valley on June 8, 2019 and Sept 14, 2019.

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7. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by R. Tocco; motion and seconded by M. Menghini was approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM.

****Next meeting – June 6th will be held at Friendship Park ****
**** PLEASE NOTE THE NEW LOCATION FOR JUNE MEETING ****