



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

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MEETING MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS: May 18, 2016

Chair: Soriano
Others Present: Budica (Vice-Chair), Killey (Secretary), Nicolson, Scrimgeour, Sheldon, and Thompson
Absent: Claud-Clemente, Coffman
City Staff: Antonia Graham
Commission: Planning Commissioner Dan Kalmick
Council Members: Mayor Jim Katapodis
Speaker: Dr. Darren Haver

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve last month's meeting minutes by Budica and seconded by Thompson.

III. Public Comments (Open to the Public)

A. Speaker: Dr. Darren Haver, University of California Cooperative Extension –Water Resources/Water Quality Advisor and Director speaking on his organization and the research that he conducts.

IV. Action Items (60 minutes)

A. EIRs

(<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/environmental-reports/>)

A-1. No open EIRs at this time.

V. Committee Updates

A. Executive Committee

Tony read the advisory duties of the Environmental Board.

A-1. Tour Recap – Banning Ranch

Sheldon, Thompson, and Claud-Clemente attended. Tour guide discussed history, environmental projects, boundaries and future of the area.

A-2. Committee Assignments

Postponed assigning board members to committees until next meeting

B. Resource Management Committee (Coffman/Budica/Soriano)

B-1. Environmental Board Anti-litter campaign (Budica/Nicolson)

Committee shared draft samples of the artwork for the litter campaign. Board discussed where the artwork would be used in the campaign including banners on the pier and wrapped on trash cans. Committee working on funding sources. Environmental Board members to send feedback on artwork.

B-2 Water Refill Stations

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Water Wall, a vendor is still willing to install and maintain refill stations in exchange for advertising space for his advertising clients. Budica and Scrimgeour will work together on cost/benefit analysis for the city.

C. Ocean Debris & Water Quality Committee (Coffman/Soriano)

C-1. Surfrider Beach Clean-up Update

Soriano reported a total of 7 beach clean-ups with Surfrider since the beginning of the year with 1,897 participants picking up 2,150 lbs of trash by volunteers. When converting those volunteer hours into a cost saved it comes to \$75,888 in labor.

C-2. Adopt-a-Channel Update

Coffman not present to give a report.

C-3. Ocean Debris Coastal Waste Containers Update

All lids have been delivered and will be installed by June 1.

D. Natural Environment (Killey/Nicolson/Claud-Clemente)

D-1. Orange County River Park update

No update

D-2. Central Park Events and Projects

Family Camp-out July 9

D-3. Park Clean-up on July 9, 2016

Move clean-up date to July 16. Killey to schedule meeting with city to discuss details.

E. Energy Issues (Sheldon/Thompson)

E-1. EPIC Challenge Status

Grant awarded and UCI leading the implementation.

VI. Administrative Items (25 minutes)

A. Environmental Board Tour Schedule

None scheduled at this time.

VII. Environmental Board Requests

A. Speaker/Field Trip/Agenda Requests

A-1. Tour Requests: South Coast Cooperative in Irvine, Waste Management CORE in Orange, CRR AD Facility in Perris, Desalination Plant in Catalina.

VIII. Environmental Board Comments

A. Sheldon motioned to reconsider the discussion about bylaws versus municipal code as operating principle. Tony seconded.

Ayes - 4

Nayes - 3

Absent – 2

Scrimgeour requested that the discussion be limited to 20 minutes and Sheldon agreed so motion amended.

B. Sheldon discussed conferences he has been to in the last month.

C. Soriano discussed the Facilities Expo educational sessions.

D. GreenExpo will be October 8 at City Hall and October 6 at the Senior Center.

IX. Adjournment at 7:33 p.m. until 6 p.m. June 15

X. Preview of Upcoming Meetings:

A. Speaker: Kimberly Buss – Orange County Public Works, OC Watersheds

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