

Environmental Advisory Board
January 18, 2022 Notes

Board Members: Ben Meinnert, Sue Crowley, Don DeBruyn, Jeff Dahlke, Darla LeClair, Jay Orvis, Jerry Thiede, Brian Henrickson

Staff: Jim McDonald, Scott Ahl, Greg Buckley

1. New High School Member Recruitment Outreach
 - a. Jay - LTC
 - b. Darla - TRHS
 - c. Jeff - FFA
 - d. Ben - Explorers
 - e. Will broaden search outside Two Rivers if necessary
2. Community Examples of Green Infrastructure
 - a. Three Memorial Drive waysides
 - i. Install one Summer 2022?
 - ii. Need to contact Friends of Mariners Trail - Greg?
 - iii. Work in tandem with Woodland Dunes pollinator garden project?
 - iv. Grants available?
 - b. Street-ends rain gardens/swales
 - i. Evaluate platted street-ends for project candidates - PW Engineering
 - ii. Reach out to Friends of Mariners Trail regarding participation - Greg?
 - c. Vertical Planting Wall
 - i. Possible location - north wall of Saint John's parking lot
 - ii. Greg will speak with Nick, property owner
3. Utility Bill Inserts
 - a. To be designed once we have viable examples to share - blurbs & photos. Insert will include info regarding the electric department tree program.
 - b. Darla will reach out to Brian Dellemann for deciduous tree encouragement grant program info
 - c. Who can design?
4. Dune Grass Grant
 - a. PW Engineering will spearhead
 - b. Planting to be a Friends of Mariners Trail project?
5. Create Lakeshore Master Plan or add to Harbor Master Plan
 - a. To include repair/replacement of existing stairs
 - b. Include Fund for Lake Michigan grant details
 - i. Shoreline stabilization & natural feature restoration
 - ii. Stormwater management
 - iii. Beach, lagoons, natural screening, trail creation in front of WWTP & water department
6. Tree Planting
 - a. City book has been modified? Greg will check with Ethan. Need to review & approve ASAP.
 - b. Deciduous Tree program - see Utility Bill Inserts above
 - c. Van der Brohe Arboretum Planting List?
 - d. Arborist suggestion for terrace trees for future projects
7. Talk to Nick/McMahon
 - a. Water that doesn't go directly into a river
 - b. Wetlands issue - Dahlke property example
 - c. Farmer easements
8. Eventually approach legislators regarding shortcomings & inequities of DNR/TMDL