

Environmental Commission Meeting
Thursday, September 1, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT

Jimmy Davis
Urania Erskine
Antonio Monaco
Gene Phillips
Marissa Rogers (NPC Liaison)
Scott Schoefnacker
Chairman Joe Skelley
Susan Threlkeld
Jayu Wagh

STAFF

Tiffany Howlett
Alderman Jon McCreery
Director Andy Sanders

ABSENT

Director Bo Mills
Michael McGinnis
David Smith

CALL TO ORDER

Director Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum for the Environmental Commission meeting was established.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the Minutes from the August 4, 2022 meeting by Urania Erskine and seconded by Gene Phillips.

ROLL CALL

Davis-yes, Erskine-yes, Monaco-yes, Phillips-yes, Schoefnacker-yes, Skelley-yes, Threlkeld-yes, Wagh-yes.
Motion approved.

ALDERMAN LIAISON COMMENTS

- The BMA met on August 30, 2022 and unanimously approved a resolution in support of continued supply of electrical power from the Tennessee Valley Authority to Memphis, Light, Gas, and Water. Discussion followed among commission members regarding the effect of this resolution on the community.

STAFF REPORTS

- In Director Mills' absence, Director Sanders served as staff liaison.
- Director Sanders thanked the commission for their support during his time at Public Works and their continual support as he has moved into the role of Assistant City Administrator.
- Director Sanders reported that improvements in City infrastructure are on the horizon with automated meter reading and transportation related projects.

COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

- Commission members did not have anything to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Before making a recommendation to the BMA, commission members will invite experts on the matter to attend a future meeting to learn and understand different perspectives on this topic. Commission members will discuss water fluoridation further at the next regularly scheduled commission meeting. It will remain an agenda item until a motion is made by the commission.
- Important discussion among commission members took place regarding Environmental Commission modifications. Commission members and staff provided valuable input in how they would like to see these proposed modifications take shape.

By aligning the Environmental Commission with the strategic and operational goals of the Germantown Forward 2035 Natural Resources section, the proposed amendments would allow for an expansion of the objectives and current mission statement of the Environmental Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn by Jimmy Davis, seconded by Urania Erskine.

ROLL CALL

Davis-yes, Erskine-yes, Monaco-yes, Phillips-yes, Schoefemacker-yes, Skelley-yes, Threlkeld-yes, Wagh-yes.
Motion approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Joe Skelley, Commission Chairman