

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY

August 3, 2011. The Environmental Board convened in a public hearing meeting on Wednesday, August 3, 2011, at City Hall Council Chambers. 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas 78701

Board Members in Attendance:

Bob Anderson, Mary Gay Maxwell, Mary Ann Neely, and James Schissler.

Staff in Attendance:

Chris Herrington, Liza Colucci, Lori Dries, Mike Personett, Jean Drew, Ed Peacock, and Marilla Shepherd.

Others in attendance: Deanna Altenhoff, Executive Director, Clean Air Force.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mary Gay Maxwell called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.
Chair Mary Gay Maxwell announced that we have a new Board member,
Jennifer Walker, who will be at the next meeting August 17, 2011.
Board member Eva Hernandez has resigned from the Board. She spoke to the
Environmental Board giving reasons for her resignation.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

Speaker should sign up to speak prior to the meeting called to order; you will receive a three-minute allotment. To address to your concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

There were no citizens signed up to speak on item not posted on the agenda.

- Thomas Webster signed up to speak on item 4a.
- Robin Cravey signed up to speak in favor of item 4a.
- Scott Johnson signed up to speak in favor of item 5a

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

Approve the minutes of the Environment Board regular meeting on July 20, 2011.

The minutes of the Environmental Board meeting on July 20, 2011 approved on Board member James Schissler motion and Board member Mary Ann Neely's second [4-0]. Board member Robin Gary was absent. New Board member Jennifer Walker's first meeting will be August 17, 2011 and one vacancy.

3. 10 MINUTES OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

None.

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Briefing on the City of Austin timeline for renewing the 10(a)(1)(b) permit for incidental take of the Barton Springs Salamander Chris Herrington, Watershed Protection Department

This item was conducted as posted. The Environmental Board requested a copy of Chris Herrington's presentation to be sent through email.

5. SPECIAL BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Clean Air Force presentation - Deanna Altenhoff, Executive Director
 Ms. Altenhoff provided a description of the Clean Air Force and its duties and a brief update on the status of the EPA ozone standards.

This item was conducted as posted. The Environmental Board requested a copy of Deanna Altenhoff's presentation to be sent through email.

6. OLD BUSINESS AND REPORTS

a) Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Vacant & Mary Ann Neely.

Board member Mary Ann Neely reported on this item.

b) Urban Growth Policy Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, James Schissler, P. E., Vacant & Eva Hernandez.

Board member Mary Gay Maxwell reported on this item. Staff will plan a joint committee with the Water Quality Regulations Committee and Urban Growth Policy Committee.

c) Water Treatment Plant #4 Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Chair, Bob Anderson, Vacant, & Mary Ann Neely.

No report this week.

d) Development Committee – Bob Anderson, Chair, Mary Gay Maxwell & James Schissler.

Board member Bob Anderson will plan a committee in early September 2011.

e) Water Quality Regulations Committee – Mary Ann Neely, Chair, and Robin Gary.

Staff will plan a joint committee with the Water Quality Regulations Committee and Urban Growth Policy Committee

f) Watershed Protection Budget Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Vacant and Bob Anderson.

No report this week.

g) Reports from Board representative to other committees.

No report this week

7. NEW BUSINESS - Future agenda items None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Maxwell adjourned the meeting at 7:24 P.M.