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## Environmental Quality Advisory Board Regular Meeting October 4, 2012

**Call to order:** A regular meeting of the Oak Ridge Environmental Quality Advisory Board was held in the Training Room of the Municipal Building, Oak Ridge, TN on October 4, 2012. The meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m. with Jimmy Groton, Chairman, presiding.

**Members in attendance:** Jimmy Groton, Leslie Agron, Chuck Agle, Robert Kennedy, Jim Placke, Elijah Fetzer, Sylvia Milanez, Gray Dean, Stephanie Paul, Steve Kenworthy, Athanasia Senecal Lewis – Staff Representative.

**Members not in attendance:** Pat Fain (excused)

**Visitors/Others:** Jack Suggs, Electric Department Director; Jerry Dover, Electric Department, Councilwoman Ellen Smith; Lou Arnold, League of Women Voters; Daniel Yoder, Tennessee Stormwater Management Assistance, Research, and Training Center (SMART); Kevin Hoyt, Director of Forest Resources Research and Education Center and Arboretum.

**Approval of the agenda:** A motion was made by Mr. Agron to amend the agenda by moving the presentation up and approving it as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fain; motion carried.

**Approval of minutes:** A motion was made by Mr. Agron and seconded by Mr. Agle to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2012 meeting. The motion carried.

**Presentation:** Dr. Daniel Yoder from The University of Tennessee's Tennessee Storm Management Assistance, Research, and Training Center (SMART) gave a presentation on stormwater management.

### Reports:

**High School:** No report

**Staff Report:** Ms. Lewis reported on the success of the Invasive Species Workshop. She also reported that the UT students are making good progress on the tree inventory along major corridors in the city. Ms. Lewis also reported that the EV charging stations, barring unforeseen circumstances, should be ready for public use by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Planning Commission Report:** Mr. Agle reported that the Planning Commission approved site plans for the Kroger shopping center at Illinois Avenue and Oak Ridge Turnpike. Two plans were approved (one including the Unitarian Church property and one without it, pending the Church's decision to sell the property); Mr. Agle reported that the Church agreed to sell the property and the site plan will need to be approved by City Council and receive a final stamp of approval from the Kroger Corporation.

**Motion(s):** Mr. Agron made a motion, seconded by Mr. Agle, to communicate to Council, the IDB, Community Development and the City Manager that EQAB commends renovation of the Alexander Inn and supports building to the LEED standard or the equivalent. This motion also includes sending an EQAB member to the IDB meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup>; motion carried.

**Keep Anderson County Beautiful:** Ms. Imperato reported on a one million dollar TDOT grant for litter prevention.

**Citizens Oversight Panel (COP):** No report

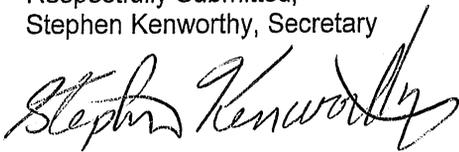
**Green Infrastructure Committee (EQAB sub-committee):** Mr. Kenworthy updated the Board about two DOE cleanup items. First, the Focused Feasibility Study on options for disposal of radioactive wastes from Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR) cleanup and Demolition and Decommissioning projects is expected to be released in the next two months. DOE is expected to propose a new on-site waste disposal facility. Second, the DOE Environmental Management program will be developing a Groundwater Strategy document for the ORR, which will lay outline agreed upon priorities and scheduling for actions to address contaminated groundwater on and off of the Reservation.

**New Business:** None

Mr. Groton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m., seconded by Mr. Agron; motion carried.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Stephen Kenworthy, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stephen Kenworthy", is written below the typed name.