



**CITY OF CARBONDALE,
ILLINOIS
SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 17, 2022**

The City of Carbondale's Sustainability Commission held a meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2022. The meeting was remotely conducted due to the ongoing COVID pandemic, high transmission throughout the region and state, continuation of the Governor's Disaster Declaration, and the City Council's determination that in-person meetings are not currently practical nor prudent. Chair Aur Beck called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. with the following-named members of the Commission present/absent:

1. Roll Call

Present: Aur Beck, Jane Cogie, Saxon Metzger, Breanna Whitley, Charles Howe, Yoonseo Jung, Sarah Heyer

Absent: Tom Grant (ex officio), Kevin Clark.

A quorum was available to take action on the agenda items.

City Staff in attendance: City Planner Molly Maxwell

Others in attendance: Amy McMorrow Hunter

2. Approval of Minutes from the Sustainability Commission Meeting of February 17, 2022

J. Cogie moved, B. Whitley seconded, to approve the minutes of the Sustainability Committee meeting of February 17th, 2022. VOTE: All voted aye; motion declared carried.

3. Presentations

SIU's Second Nature Climate Commitment – Breanna Whitley

Ms. Whitley responded to questions about the presentation.

4. Communications

None.

5. Old Business

Monthly updates / reviews:

- Monthly Updates/Review of:
 - Green Spot (continuous/on-going) Award program update – Ms. Heyer will submit press release for 2nd quarter nominations. Previous submittals can be considered by Commission.
 - City Composting – Ms. Heyer has reached out to Jackson and Williamson Counties.
 - Former Koppers Wood Treatment Site Report – no update.
 - Updates and amendments to the Proposed Sustainability Action Plan – Ms. Cogie and Mr. Metzger reached out to neighborhood organizations
ICLEI is helping review plan and will provide feedback. Ms. Cogie is condensing process description, clarifying goals.
 - ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability: Meeting with Carbondale's 2022 ICLEI Advisor, Kale Roberts on SAP Plan – Ms. Cogie gave an update. The City cannot apply for this grant, it must be a nonprofit.

6. New Business

The Commission needs a Vice Chair. Mr. Metzger volunteered for the position, there will be a vote at the April 2022 meeting.

7. Citizen Comments and Questions

Amy Hunter has been working with the Dentmon Center, they are hosting a Makers' Fair, April 22nd, 2022.

Pheral Lamb hopes that the Library for Alternate Futures can help with education and training for Sustainability Plan endeavors.

8. Commission Comments

Ms. Whitley said she would ask SENSE if they would like to participate with the Makers' Fair.

Mr. Metzger volunteered to represent the Sustainability Commission at the Makers' Fair.

Ms. Cogie suggested hosting an interactive activity at the Makers' Fair.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.