



CARBONDALE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

Thursday, March 25, 2021

5:00PM-5:55PM (CDT)

NOTE: Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order in response to COVID-19 issued March 16, 2020, this meeting will be held remotely

Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/94662238651?pwd=OHRGSWo4TEFIZFk5aXdYURpVis5dz09>

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MINUTES

1. Call to Order & Roll Call: members present: Evan Ewing, Jane Cogie, Aur Beck, Tom Grant, Saxon Metzger, Sarah Heyer

2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of February 2021, Jane moves and Saxon seconds. All vote in favor.

3. Presentations: Discussed possibility of setting up a new presentation. Clarified rules to include needing advance notice meeting ahead of time.

4. Communications: Former Koppers Wood Treating Site – Current Status Report.

<https://www.wbez.org/stories/a-tale-of-two-brownfields-in-the-midwest/593b5adc-26a6-4ffb-8d5a-1f67a0ff26c9>

Some hesitation about plans for Koppers or success of treatment program. Question of whether toxins have been removed completely, some community leaders expressed hesitation that it was removed. Possibly the waste is being kept on site or moved to a landfill.

Question on how Sustainability Commission started: Energy and Environmental Advisory Commission was first iteration of the Sustainability Committee. Possibly EG Hewes helped to start it.

Solar Panel: Public Safety Center had last module installed

5. Old Business: Long Term Sustainability Plan for the City/Sustainability Action Plan, Solar

Projects, Polystyrene Foam, City Composting, Green Spot award

Long Term Sustainability: We have progress report mostly done, and the rough draft for the plan is in process. We want to have the draft plan show up as a city council discussion item. Gary suggested that we have specific notes for codification in the plan, and also put in r-3 or commercial new parking lots have charging.

Saxon shared graphs that he's been working on, and we clarified that we are going to be giving the progress report to the council, combined with showing draft plan to Gary, and then suggesting options that we can use to promote the plan.

ICLEI tools and templates could be used to make the plan more fleshed out and professional.

Possibility of more jobs coming to Carbondale because of what we are doing discussed.

Sarah moved, Jane seconded, all voted in favor of submitting progress report.

Chamber of Commerce: Sarah didn't get in touch, but Aur got to mention to Tom at Chamber. Saxon will reach out to Chamber directly.

Possibility for one extra step: finalizing our "tasks" list to send to Gary before the draft

Agree 4/1 Thursday 5-6 sub committee meeting

6. New Business: None

7. Citizen Comments and Questions: none

8. Commission Comments: none

9. Adjournment: 6:01 pm. Charlie introduced the motion, Sarah seconded