

Sustainability Committee
City of Roeland Park, KS
Agenda
Thursday, May 4, 2023, 6:15 pm
In Person Meeting – City Hall

The purpose of the Sustainability Committee is to make recommendations to the Governing Body concerning issues relating to or affecting environmental sustainability.

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Meeting ID: 993 3958 6327

Committee:

David Smith – Co-chair; Megan Reavis – Co-chair; Melissa Castillo
Wade Holtkamp, City Liaison; Jen Hill and Benjamin Dickens, City Council liaisons

Members in attendance:

Liaison(s) in attendance:

Guest(s) in attendance:

Call to Order:

Approval of minutes: 6:22

Citizen Comment(s):

Additions to the Agenda:

Aiden Ellis- works for EPA as a physical scientist lives in RP since 2020

Sustainability Minute:

- Members are invited to highlight and/or share thoughts, experiences, or observations from outside the meetings that illustrate sustainable practices and the importance of the Sustainability Committee's mission. (All)

Old Business

- Great work at the Roeland Park Earth Day litter cleanup!!
 - ~20 people, 2 hours, 28 bags of trash
 - Make it at least quarterly?
 - Mission had ~100 people pick up ~40 bags

New Business:

- New member welcome/intro!
- Bike pump repair update- Public Works removed broken piece, still has to replace it

- Newsletter- don't publicize that DUIs on bikes aren't possible in Kansas
- Tree volcano update- piled up mulch could kill the trees, no update. Public Works is short staffed. Aiden has also helped with the mulch issue.
- Melissa to write article on trees in next newsletter
- Town Hall meeting on recycling?- SM Post article said JoCo recycling no longer takes #1 plastics from takeout containers. Additional education would be a good idea.
- Follow up on Compost Collective proposition
- Committee to discuss Action sheet
- R Park message board – new message for May/June?
- May 24th compost workshop with Merriam- \$75 rebate opportunity for attendance
- Switch to energy audit after May 24th
- Newsletter submission ideas – bike routes
- Map out bike lanes to avoid traffic
- GHG inventory- Aiden conflicted out regarding grants, there is public information online.
Dave will follow up with Mission regarding selection process
- Overlap between SustComm and Parks?
- Pocket Prairie at R Park, can SustComm join in the project? Melissa propagates native plants as a hobby

Adjourn: 6:59

Next Meeting: June 1, 2023 [in person at City Hall 6:15 pm]