

Sustainability Committee
City of Roeland Park, KS
Minutes
Thursday, February 2, 2023, 4:00 pm
Zoom Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/99339586327>
Meeting ID: 993 3958 6327

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

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: Melissa Castillo, Megan Reavis, David Smith

Liaison(s) in attendance: Jen Hill, Wade Holtkamp

Guest(s) in attendance: Michael Poppa

Call to Order: 4:04

Approval of minutes: 4:04

Citizen Comment(s):

Additions to the Agenda:

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)

New Business:

- Updates to Sustainability Committee – Megan and David
 - R Park message board- Waiting for Anthony Marshall's approval over SustComm postings
 - Passive communications of City activities
 - Citizen surveys
 - lack of bicycle infrastructure a common gripe
 - mark multiuse lanes on Roe as bike-friendly?
 - Public Works seeking bids for bus stop shelter on West side of Roe
 - Budget- want to use it this year
 - Facility Conservation Improvement Program (FCIP)
 - <https://kcc.ks.gov/kansas-energy-office/fcip>

- possible Evergy interference with solar panels?
 - Requires 36 months of utility payments, floor plans, etc
- Community center solar panel remodel updated in coming months?
- Discuss what our goals/focus areas should be for this year – all
 - City-sponsored tree planting?
 - Johnson County reimburses up to 50% of the cost of planting native trees, rain barrels, rain gardens, etc.
 - <https://containtherainjoco.com/>
 - Concerns that over-mulching/wrong mulch piling could harm new City trees
 - Redo greenhouse gas inventory with Lotus? DynamHex not very user-friendly
 - SustComm sponsor a city-wide litter cleanup several times a year? Meeting outside meeting to work out details
 - City could provide grabber sticks, gloves, bags, and vests?
 - Aldi dumpster overflows, much of the trash blowing down the street comes from that dumpster
 - Contact Aldi as a committee?
 - Roe Boulevard/commercial area source of most trash
- City will sponsor Climate Action KC April 15
 - <https://climateactionkc.networkforgood.com/events/52631-2023-climate-summit>
- SustComm open to working with other committees, other municipalities

Adjourn: 4:38