

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

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

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**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 24<sup>th</sup> 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]