

Athens City Environment and Sustainability Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Athens City Building  
Tuesday, March 1, 2016

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1. Call to order—Chair Cliff Hamilton called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM. Members present include Cliff, Ed Newman, Jennifer Cochran, Mat Roberts, Richard Linscott, Elaine Goetz, and Meredith Price-Mullins. Quorum was established. Paul Logue attended for the administration. Andrew Ladd was a guest.

2. Disposition of Minutes—the minutes from the February meeting were reviewed by the commission. Jennifer moved to approve the minutes as read. Meredith seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

3. Next Meeting Date

Tuesday April 5 at 5:30 PM—the plan will be on the agenda.

4. New Business

A. OU sustainability series—Paul discussed the bikes v. cars documentary last week.

5. Old Business

A. Sustainability plan—Paul is working on the plan and will have a draft out in about a week. Ed suggested a resource page be included for each section that lists movies etc. Elaine has some students that are interested in helping.

Richard discussed the economy section. Bartering and trading was the #1 theme in our workshop on this topic. Richard thinks this is more of a waste reduction method than an economic strategy. Jennifer feels that this is an alternative economic model as well. Suggestion was made to set up a scale to rate sustainability with local businesses. Andrew suggested scale that includes locally grown, locally sources, locally owned, locally made etc. Andrew suggested we look at Greenspot program from Columbus.  
<http://www.columbusgreenspot.org/>

B. Commission membership—Andrew Ladd introduced himself to the commission. He is the recycling manager at OU. Elaine moved to recommend Andrew. Cliff seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

C. EV update—Paul reported that Nissan is donating an EV charger to the city. They hope to have install completed for an Earth Day event at the community center on 4/23.

6. Announcements and Updates—There were no announcements and updates.

7. Adjournment

Mat made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

