

Athens City Environment and Sustainability Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Athens City Building
Wednesday April 4, 2018 5:30 PM

1. Call to order—Member Elaine Goetz called the meeting to order at 5:37 PM. Members present include Ms. Goetz, Ed Newman, Sam Crowl, Kristin Rice, Cliff Hamilton, Stefan Gleissberg, and Paul Logue. Members absent include Richard Linscott. Quorum was established.

2. Disposition of Minutes—Mr. Newman made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted to the commission by Mr. Logue. Elaine seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

3. Next Meeting Date
May 2, 2018

5. New Business

A. Appointments to the Commission—changes to ACC 3.07.74 that Paul suggested was reviewed and feedback was provided. The changes would increase the council appointments from 7 to 9 members with one of those appointments being an Ohio University student. Ms. Rice made a motion to forward a recommendation to city council to change ACC 3.07.74. Mr. Hamilton seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

B. Solar Day Resolution—Mat Roberts communicated to Paul that he no longer is asking for an action from the commission on this matter. Council reps Sam Crowl and Chris Fahl are working with Mayor Patterson on a mayoral proclamation.

C. Nominations for new commission members—Aimee Delach, Caitlin Garrity, and Jessica Dalzell have expressed interested in these seats. Elaine nominated Aimee Delach to be recommended to Council for appointment to the current vacancy and Caitlin Garrity and Jessica Dalzell for the potential 2 new seats. Sam seconded Elaine’s motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

D. April 19—OU sustainability awards program. Elaine reported that their office is now accepting nominations for their Earth Day sustainability events. The commission can make nominations and be nominated for an award. The nominations can be made at this link:
<https://www.ohio.edu/sustainability/get-involved/earth-day.cfm>

4. Old Business

A. Annual report-- Paul distributed the final copy of the report to the commission. This will be submitted to Council.

B. Plan update—Kristin is clearing up some issues. The commissioners discussed how to update moving forward. Elaine suggested cleaning up for this year and giving clear direction into the future. Commission would like to get this iteration correct even if it takes longer. Goal is end of June.

5. Announcements and Updates

A. Comp plan meeting—April 26 6:30 PM, Athens Community Center Room A

B. LEED class at Community Center—either Tuesday April 24 or 26 at 3:05 PM. Paul will check with the Arts, Parks, and Rec staff about their availability to attend.

C. Sam— reported that there is a League of Women Voters forum on April 25 4 on carbon fee at community center 6:30-8 PM. Several info sessions are also scheduled.

6. Adjournment—Ed made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 PM. Kristin seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Logue