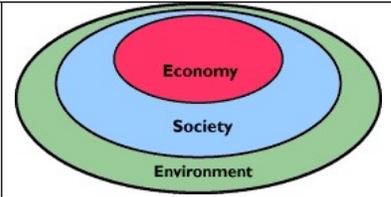




ALLIANCE GREEN COMMISSION

Draft Minutes

March 13, 2023



RESPONSIBILITY - It shall be the responsibility of the Commission to study, investigate, counsel, and develop and/or update, and administer a written Sustainability Plan. (City of Alliance Ordinances Chapter 160.4)

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Present: Gravlee (24), Mastroianni (23), Kramer (25), Stone(26), McElhinney, Arif, Grove, Mayor Andreani

Called to order at 4:34 pm by Mayor

Minutes of the January 30, 2023 meeting were approved unanimously

Mayor read by-laws regarding officers. They need to be reelected each year Jan-Dec. Need to vote for interim officers, Gravelee chairperson, Mastroianni vice chair, McClagherty secretary. Everyone present introduced themselves and Gravlee explained the subcommittees for the benefit of new members Arif & McElhinney.

Future meetings May 8, July 10, September 11, November 13

Transportation Presented by Kramer. No meeting

Mayor met with streets and alleys committee. If all is well, map will be approved by Wed. 3/15.

Green Energy Presented by Gravlee. Met recently.

UMU: discussed meters on buildings, upgrades on HVAC & charging stations (add card swipe station).

Charging stations: Where should they go? City property, parks, library? Grant on private property - owner paid 20% and 80% Ohio paid. Mayor waiting for grants to come in. Green revolving fund. Save money to use on green initiatives. Return on investment must be under 5 years for UMU. Gravlee shared the Green Building in Alliance pamphlet. Needs to be updated.

Demand response program. 35 city owned buildings. 2035 goals 100% renewable energy use in city facilities. 2046 net zero goal. Arif suggested we put together new, fresh ideas.

Green Space and Trees No meeting since 2022. Next mtg is March 29 7:30 am. New member Baxter.

New Business

Gravlee's Report

Sustainability & Climate Action Plan: document on city's website. We all need to review and update our sections. McClagherty has been updating. Suggest reading City of Oberlin Sustainability Plan. It's user-friendly, has resiliency as a section. Goals have a timeline and responsible parties. Measurables included. Think about the resilience question and what that may look like. Cooling stations, warming stations, food security.

Mayor's Report

Community/neighborhood associations. Mayor will provide information about how to start one. Will let us know where the organizations currently are and where they were if no longer in existence.

Adjourned 5:30 pm

Next commission meeting on May 8, 2023, at City Administration buildings

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Mastroianni for Chuck McClagherty, secretary