

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday February 14th, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

115 N 3rd Street

The Sustainability Committee met Monday, March 14th, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

In the City Hall Council Chambers.

Present: Commissioner Melanie Cozzi
Tim Benedict
Steve Rypkema
Also, Present Darin DeHaan, City Administrator

Absent: Russell Brunner, Vic Zaderej

10:13 A.M. Meeting was called to order.

Public Comment:

No Public Comment

Approved Minutes from February 14th, 2022, Meeting: Motion by Comm Cozzi, Seconded by Tim Benedict.

Tree Board:

Discussion: Darin discussed the recent creation of the Tree Board and handed out a copy of the member and current project list. Darin will work to connect the Tree Board, Sustainability Adhoc, and the Park District as projects relate to each other.

Sustainability Plan:

Discussion: The committee worked through pages 2-4 of the Countryside Plan. Consider adding: Night Sky/Light Pollution, Natural Resources (with subsections under each category) 1. Land 2. Water 3. Air

Suggested: Connect with OFPD to create plans for sustainable chemical fire suppressants along river front to protect waterways.

Darin will research competitive quotes for Greenhouse Emission rating companies

Recommend to the Council – Update garbage contract to offer electronic waste as a curbside service.

Tim mentioned Agrivoltaics – solar energy that allows better crop growth

Darin will be writing the first draft of the plan as it directly applies to the City of Oregon.

We will be working on pages 10-15 in the plan next meeting on April 11, 2022.

Region 1 Planning Council:

Discussion: Darin will discuss this again with Mayor Williams and will report back to this Committee.

Other Business:

Discussion:

Steve works with Living Land and Waters who coordinate giving away 10,000 trees to surrounding region. Steve will have 900 free 2-year-old tree saplings to be given out in April in the next Solid Waste Recycling event. Burred Oak, Red Oak, and Swamp White

Adjourn: 12:05 P.M.

Melanie Cozzi, Commissioner

Attest: _____
Darin DeHaan, City Administrator