

SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~Agenda~

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Tuesday
May 17 2022

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
2nd Floor City Hall
206 E. 3rd St.

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Approval of Sustainable Environment Commission April 19, 2022 Minutes (ACTION ITEM)**

Minutes presented for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve the February minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or provide staff further direction.

2. **Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)**

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and city of residence for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

3. **Tabling opportunity at the Moscow Farmers Market**

The SEC is currently signed up for to staff a table at the June 4 Moscow Farmers Market. We will discuss outreach activities including seed packet handouts and a survey.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Receive the report and take action as deemed appropriate.

4. **Composting considerations for the Palouse region**

Mia Rognstad, a recent graduate of the Landscape Architecture master's program, brought the new Whitman County landfill to our attention and is interested in exploring composting options for the Palouse region.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Receive the report and take action as deemed appropriate.

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REPORTS

1. City Sustainability Report- Kelli Cooper -
2. Moscow High School Subcommittee Report- Nicole Xiao (or delegate)
3. Climate Action Working Group – Tina Hilding

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

1. Next SEC meeting June 21, 2022

ADJOURN

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Tuesday
April 19th, 2022

6:00 PM

Mayors Conference Room
1st Floor City Hall
206 E. 3rd St

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Steve McGeehan-Chair; Tina Hilding-Vice; Victoria Seever; Olivia Weibe; Asaph Cousins; Sophie Gilbert

STAFF: Jenifer Rossini, Administrative Assistant; Kelli Cooper, Environmental Education and Sustainability Specialist

OTHERS: David Hall; Ian Schlater

ABSENT: Marley Pankratz; Jassen Bluto; Jamal Lyskett; Gordon Wilson; Al Poplawsky

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Sustainable Environment Commission March 22, 2022 Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

Minutes presented for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve the March minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or provide staff further direction.

Victoria moved to approve March 22, 2022 minutes, Tina second to approve minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

2. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)

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David congratulated the Earth Day Award winners.

3. Tabling opportunity at the Moscow Farmers Market

Citizen Commissions including the SEC are invited to table at the Moscow Farmers Market. This is an excellent opportunity for public outreach on the activities of our commission and to seek public input on the topics we discuss. The SEC is currently signed up for June 4 and Sept 17.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Receive the report and take action as deemed appropriate.

The commission decided on both dates. There was discussion on what the group would like to do at their table. Before they have reached out with informal surveys. They agreed the theme should be focused on what the City is doing that citizens can be inspired to do. Olivia suggested giving ideas to help residents climate foot print who live in small spaces.

4. Climate Action Plan update

Discuss any final comments before the CAP goes to Council on April 25.

March 26th was ending for public comment period; a total of 62 comments. Kelli is wrapping up responses to them.

Workshop will be on Monday the 25th from 6-7pm. This workshop will include taking feedback and go over public comments. After Monday, document will be revised and adopted in May. Asaph was curious how many residents in Moscow even know about this plan. The City broadcasted this in the newspaper and social media platforms.

REPORTS

1. City Sustainability Report- Kelli Cooper

City cleanup Friday the 22nd from 930-11 am

U of I earth day event tomorrow the 20th.

Inland North Waste event at East City park from 2-6pm the 22nd.

High Schoolers will march on the 23rd from East City Park to Friendship Square.

City nature challenge starts next week, Whitman vs Latah County. Take pictures of nature and wildlife, which ever City gets the most pictures wins. April 29th through May 2nd.

Moscow Charter School won the Trex competition this year for collecting the most plastic film.

2. Moscow High School Subcommittee Report- Ilan Carter/Nicole Xiao

Thursday high schoolers will wear green to support Earth Day. Survey on how high schoolers feel about climate change.

3. Climate Action Working Group (CAWG)-Tina Hilding

Climate Scientist Peter Kalmus is going to be speaking at UI on Friday at 3 p.m.

Tina talked about if it would be legal for CAWG to be on Alan Klesky grant proposal. This grant involves moving forward with climate action changes in the community. If the grant is large enough there may be an advisory board.

Tina wanted to know if the CAWG will still be needed now that the climate action plan has been written. The SEC agreed that CAWG has important role in the implementation of the plan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fish and Wildlife film festival Thursday at U of I and Friday at Kenworthy.

David mentioned an article in newspaper about saving water past weekend
Also, a new events division has been added within the City.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Next Commission meeting is May 17, 2022

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM

Steve McGeehan, Chair *(or stamped by Deputy City Clerk)*