

**CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION
Council Chambers, Urbana City Building
Tuesday, August 3, 2021**

Commissioners Present: Tomas Delgado, Maddy Garbacz, Stacy Gloss, Jessica Lehmkuhl, Andrew Stumpf, Morgan White, Grace Wilken

Commissioners Absent: James Corbin

Staff Present: Scott Tess

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

Chair Gloss called the meeting to order, a roll was called and a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

Commission Member Wilken motioned to approve the minutes from the June 29, 2021 meeting. Commission Member Lehmkuhl seconded the motion. Commission approved.

Closed Session – To consider security procedures, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8)

Commission Member White motioned to move to closed session, Commission Member Stumpf seconded the motion. Roll call vote to approve motion, Commission unanimously approved and moved to closed session.

Commission Member Lehmkuhl moved to close the closed session, Commission Member Wilken seconded the motion. Roll call vote to approve motion, Commission unanimously approved and Commission reentered to regular session.

Public Input

No public input at this time.

Staff Report

Geothermal

Geothermal Urbana-Champaign has closed with 14 contracts for installation totaling 59 tons of capacity.

Closed Landfill

Eight disused sampling wells were sealed and abandoned at the landfill. Staff will proceed with bidding installation of a new sampling well to replace an existing malfunctioning well.

Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)

Champaign County has secured a PACE administrator, updated their PACE ordinance, and is making preparations to offering a PACE program.

Next Sustainability Advisory Commission Meeting

September 7, 2021 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building or by Zoom depending on circumstances.

Unfinished Business

Discussion about goal setting and prioritizing goals for diversity, equity, inclusion and justice related to community environmental sustainability.

Commission Members Lehmkuhl shared a jam board projected on to the large screen for the Commission to work on with regards to goal setting and prioritization, beginning with Community Involvement. Discussion ensued. See attached PDF for JEDI Goals Collaboration board.

Discussion of landfill diversion: updates on developing a program to generate compost from commercial food scrap at the Landscape Recycling Center

Commission Member Wilken updated that she has been able to distribute some of the printed flyers. A representative from CUPHD confirmed that there are no health code concerns about separating food waste from landfill trash. Haulers are delayed due to busy-time, but still aiming for a Fall run of the pilot project. Discussion ensued.

Announcements

13th Annual Growing Sustainable Communities Conference in Dubuque, IA on October 12-13, 2021. Registration is open at: <https://www.cityofdubuque.org/1079/Growing-Sustainable-Communities-Conferen>

August 10 and 12, 2021 Geothermal Webinars at 12:00p.m. sponsored by University of Illinois – Extension.

Adjournment

Commission Member White moved to adjourn the meeting. Commission Member Delgado seconded the motion. All members approved.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned. This meeting was recorded.