

**CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION
Council Chambers
Tuesday, April 1, 2014**

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Marya Ryan, Vice Chair Stephen Wald, Bart Bartels, Todd Rusk, Brian Sproul, Rachel Vellenga

Commissioners Absent: Ryan Wolber

Staff Present: Scott Tess, Kate Brickman

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Kate Brickman called the roll and a quorum was present.

Changes to the Agenda

Scheduled Continuing Business presentations by representatives from Champaign-Urbana Public Health District and Ameren Illinois were both cancelled. Bart Bartels' discussion on Household Hazardous Waste Collection was added to the agenda under New Business.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Motion was made by Ms. Vellenga, second by Mr. Sproul, to approve the minutes from the March 4, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Communications

Staff Report

Scott Tess gave the monthly Staff Report that included updates on various Goals and Actions from the Climate Action Plan and the Sustainable Water Management Plan and an update on progress for both. The report also noted several public engagement opportunities. The report noted May 6 as the next meeting date.

Tess provided a memo detailing the 2013 City Waste & Diversion Report prepared by Courtney Rushforth, Recycling Coordinator.

Ms. Ryan added that Tess would be taking an ICLEI (International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives) webinar on ClearPath, their next generation greenhouse gas accounting software.

Continuing Business

Climate Impact and Adaptation pursuant to the Climate Action Plan – Presentation by Rick

Manner, Executive Director, Urbana-Champaign Sanitary District

Rick Manner, Executive Director of the Urbana-Champaign Sanitary District discussed climate change projections and the potential impacts on wastewater treatment for Central Illinois.

New Business

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

SAC member Bart Bartels, Zero Waste Coordinator at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, discussed his involvement with the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission in identifying more efficient ways to collect household hazardous waste in central Illinois.

Announcements

Scott Tess announced that the U.S. EPA will hold two public hearings about the Mahomet Sole Source Aquifer Petition. Ms. Ryan suggested adding discussion of a written comment on behalf of SAC to the May Agenda.

Scott Tess will be attending The Illinois River Watch Network Training Workshop on Saturday, April 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve.

Mr. Sproul announced a Sierra Club Earth Day Happy Hour at Escobar, at which Scott Tess will be speaking.

Mr. Wald relayed that donations are being accepted for the memorialization of the Sim Hackberry tree and can be forwarded to the City of Urbana.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.