

Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee

A meeting of the Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee was called to order at 4:00 P.M., on January 6, 2015, at Alton City Hall, 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois.

Members Present: Alderman David Boulds, Chairman Wayne Politsch, Adam Peipert, Zeke Jabusch and Jeff Dale

Members Absent: Laura Asher

Staff and Guests: Matt Asselmeier, Dale Kelley, Mary Vandervord

Alderman David Boulds made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2014, meeting, seconded by Adam Peipert. Motion passed unanimously.

There were no changes to the agenda.

Mary Vandervord was introduced by Chairman Wayne Politsch. Mary is Community & Environmental Planner with Heartlands Conservancy whose mission is “Investing in the Nature of Southwestern Illinois”. Heartlands works within the 7 Counties of SW Illinois to: 1) Land Conservancy 2) Public Engagement and 3) Building Greener Communities. The Triple Bottom Line is: “People, Planet, and Profit”

Mary suggested that Alton might want to update their “Comprehensive Plan” which has a suggested 10 year update. A vision for Alton, with the goal of Sustainability in Land Use, Transportation, Zoning, etc.

A new project for the Committee might include a “landscape ordinance” whereby storm water would be separated from the main sewer lines. Zeke Jabusch asked Mary to draft a letter to the Committee addressing available grants that we might pursue in the future.

Progress on the Preservation Workshop Committee discussion was led by Matt Asselmeier. Some Committee Members attended the Historical Preservation meeting held in the Council chambers at Alton City Hall on January 20, 2015. (See attached minutes by Matt Asselmeier)

Zeke Jabusch presented a handout on the D & R LED lighting specifications and cost saving differences. It appears that there were no more funds available for the items in this period. It was determined that it might behoove us to get all the paperwork ready so that we can enter the grant applications as soon as the next period starts.

The Greenhouse Gas Inventory is almost done but Karthik suffered an accident and will not be finished until sometime in February.

Alderman David Boulds made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jeff Dale. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:01 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is February 3, 2015, at 4:00 P.M., at City Hall.

Respectfully Submitted, Jeffrey C. Dale