

**Sustainability Advisory Committee**

**Agenda**

**June 12, 2019 5:30PM – Called to order at 5:30pm**

**Meeting location:** City Hall

Welcome and introductions

* Introduced James as city liaison

Approval of the Agenda

* Dr. Triplett motioned to approve agenda, seconded
* Agenda approved unanimously

**OLD BUSINESS**

Approval of 4/10/19 Minutes

* No minutes from last meeting

Review of Earth Day Celebration

* Dr. Triplet
  + positive reception
  + bigger and better next year
  + layout was good
  + events in the fall (recycle day and sustainability day)
* Denise
  + positive reception
  + out of town people didn’t’ know restroom locations
  + hang banners up high
  + 20 people signed up
  + Easter weekend may have affected turnout
  + good visibility
* Joel:
  + What do other people do for Earth Day?

Land Use Plan – Jay

* Jay
  + finalized contract with consultant
  + had first meeting
  + contractors looked at current use
  + event July 16-18 will be community shuret
    - feedback process
    - collect information from community
* Pittsburglanduse.com
  + take the survey on the website

Update on Recycle Center

* Triplet
  + holding our own
  + large uptick in donations
  + in conversation with county about a %.25 set aside or turn over to county, concern expressed by a commissioner about increase $.25 on constituents, bank balance of 17k, receivables of 16k, Jan-May 18 vs Jan-May 19 net income increased from -12k to -$9k, KDHE pitch for Styrofoam densifier, earn about $7k a year from densifier, letters of support from city, university, and Westco, hanging in for now

Growing Sustainable Cities Conference – Dubuque

* Triplet
  + [www.cityofdebuque.org/1079/Growing-Sustainable-Communities-Conferen](http://www.cityofdebuque.org/1079/Growing-Sustainable-Communities-Conferen)
  + October 24-25th
  + Something for everyone and tours
  + Community used to be textile manufacturing but went to deconstruction when manufacturing went to China
  + You should go to it if you can

**NEW BUSINESS**

Individual Transportation Docking/Dockless Vehicles – James

* James
  + Putting together an ordinance to allow for and regulate dockless vehicles
* Triplet
  + VeoRide has been wanting to expand to scooters
* Jay
  + Balancers/wranglers to redistribute dockless vehicles
  + Commission will likely want recommendations from ATAB and SAC about their view of the ordinance

Resale Center

* Triplet
  + Would go behind current reuse store
  + Working with James Otter (Construction Tech Chair)
  + Hopefully get salvage materials from construction students to resale
  + Opportunity for students/city/university to have another income center
  + Goal to divert materials from the landfill
  + Need to work up a business plan and get partners onboard
  + Dr. Scott supports this
  + Combination of natural light and solar panels to power
  + Will put together a team composed of the partners and come back
* Jay
  + City could require cities teardown to be deconstruction

Aquaponic Project

* Triplet
  + Looking at a grant for sustainable agriculture
    - Putting together of-the-shelf system that would be marketable
    - Possibly putting multiple commercial units at Mission Clay site
    - $5-10 million project
    - Letter of intent sent in
  + Another grant for workforce training
    - Not a large workforce of people who design and build aquaponics system
    - working with Greenbush and PSU to provide training for teachers and individuals
    - letter of intent sent in
  + planning to write more grants over the summer
  + a lot of areas for innovation with aquaponics

**OTHER BUSINESS**

* Triplet
  + What’s next for SAC?
* Matt
  + Will bring some stormwater stuff to next meeting
  + Must have a committee and board for grant

Applications have opened for the two vacant seats in SAC

* Will reach out to those who previously applied to see if they are still interested

Adjourned at 6:52pm