

**Sustainability Advisory Committee**

**Minutes**

**May 13, 2020 5:30PM**

**Meeting location:** Online <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/832015925>

Convened at 5:35PM

Welcome and introductions

Attendees: Jay Byers, Nancy Scott, Jim Triplett, Tiffany Peery, Jeremy Johnson, Cameron Alden, Denise Fitzpatrick, George Weeks, Andrew Oullette

Approval of the Agenda moved by Oullette, seconded by Weeks; motion passed

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Update on Recycling Center and Visit**

Scott provided discussion of her visit to the Recycling Center; she felt welcomed; first time behind the tunnel; staff works hard behind scenes; appreciates having Center back on line; membership fees, though not required, are part of their revenue figures, but they don’t have many members; Triplett indicated benefits of membership (can use tunnel all week), have access to shedding, can use HHW, can drop off other waste; need to get word out; Nancy also found out that there is a revenue stream from commercial pickup; tours are available; Triplett discussed revenues associated with material processing; recently, commodity prices have gone down as of late, but cardboard is currently raising its prices, sorting helps things move more quickly; good discussion of including Pittsburg Beautiful in coordinating membership drives

**Postponed and Planned Activities**

Only Earth Day postponed; given the unknown, not possible to do planning

**NEW BUSINESS**

 City and County Pandemic Response; Byers explained City’s actions (City Hall doors locked, pool closed, Memorial Auditorium closed, hiring and pay freeze); City to take direction on health actions from State and County; Johnson explained County’s actions and responsibilities and future direction (establishing distancing regulations, concern about impact on businesses); Recycling Center was able to get Payroll Protection Program funding

Sustainability in a Pandemic - Potential Events, Projects and Activities

Member Area of Interest, Project Commitment

Combining these two; Triplett suggests every Committee member commit to a sustainability project; Fitzpatrick is leader of Earth Day; Triplett and Ouellette are working on aquaponics (what about having a raised bed near the street? Need to talk to codes official)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Crawford County Solid Waste Planning Committee meeting coming up

Adjourn at 6:30