

Delaware County Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 14, 2024 6:00 - 8:00 PM



Attendees:

Commission Members		Other County Staff	
	PUBLIC MEMBERS (5 for Quorum)	X	Becca Yurkovich
	Steve Clark	X	Anne Stauffer
X	David Director		
	Krystl Gauld		
	Cephus Hales-Richardson		
X	Carol Martsolf		
	Julie Prey		
	Jaclyn Rhoads		
	Shawn Stancill		
X	Grace Venit		
	Joi Washington		
GOVERNMENT MEMBERS (4 for Quorum)			
X	Gina Burritt		
	Laura Goodrich-Cairns		
X	Francine Locke		
X	Marc Manfre		
X	Ed Orner		
	Brooks Stayer		
X	Karen Wilwol		

- Welcome, Roll Call, and Interactive Question Carol Martsolf (6:00 PM 6:10 PM)
 - Roll call was taken, but no quorum was achieved.
 - Interactive question: Do you do any gardening? If yes, what will you be growing? And what excites you about gardening?
- 2. Instructions for Public Comment Carol Martsolf (6:10 6:12 PM)
 - Instructions for public comment were explained.
- Approval of Meeting Minutes from December, January, and February Carol Martsolf (6:12 PM - 6:15 PM)

- Meeting minutes were not approved because there was no quorum.
- 4. Adoption of By-Law Amendment Carol Martsolf (6:15 6:18 PM)
 - By-Law Amendment was not adopted because there was no quorum.
- 5. Introduction of Karen Wilwol and Presentation of the Delaware County Conservation District (6:20 6:50 PM)
 - Karen Wilwol presented an overview of the work of the Conservation
 District
 - Operates in every county except Philadelphia under state and county guidelines.
 - Work closely with landowners to conserve land and water resources.
 - Erosion & Sediment Control
 - Low Volume Road Program
 - Conservation Planting Trailer
 - Trees for Watersheds
 - Public Education & Outreach
 - Envirothon
 - Poster Contest
 - Various training programs

Public Comment (SustainDelco@co.delaware.pa.us and from Zoom chat) -

- Steve Clark Haverford Township requested update on prison solar project. Elaine Schaefer responded with an update regarding cooperative.
- 6. Office of Sustainability Update Francine Locke (6:55 7:10 PM)
 - Zero waste task force aimed at hospitality industry.
 - Reduce food waste and increase accessibility of healthy food.
 - Having the right people at the table
 - SEPSA
 - Climate Action Plan submitted to EPA
 - League of Women Voters
 - Sustainable Newtown Square Green Business Coalition
 - Earth Day Events
 - April 20th tree planting and clean up in William Penn and Ethel Waters Park
 - Campaign sign recycling event
 - IKEA ESG Event
 - Climate Equity Collaborative
 - \$2.5 million grant to enhance safety and connectivity on Route 291

- 7. Conference Update Becca Yurkovich (7:10 7:15 PM)
 - Updated itineraries
 - Stroud Water Resource Center
 - Home Energy Efficiency
 - Vision Zero
 - Sustainability for all
 - Registration is open
 - Fundraising partners still looking
 - Awards committee has started and will be looking for nominations
- 8. Spring Events and Earth Day Round Table Carol Martsolf (7:15 -7:35 PM)
 - Is your community doing anything for Earth Day?
 - Parks and Rec department event stream clean up
 - CRC Stream clean up
 - Other clean up events
 - Media borough clean up with education session on April 20th
 - Media distributing anti-mosquito door hangers
 - Lansdowne Hoffman Park event

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- RPTA Comment, David Director, Elaine Schaefer, and Francine Locke responded
- 9. Review Action Items from Last Meeting Carol Martsolf (7:40 7:45 PM)
- 10. New Business Carol Martsolf to ask group for new business (7:45 PM 7:50 PM)
- 11. Set Action Items for Next Meeting Carol Martsolf (7:50 7:55 PM)
 - Approve meeting minutes and By-Law amendment
 - Awards
 - List of Earth Day/Springtime events for social media

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12. Adjourn (8:00 PM)