

Delaware County Sustainability Commission Meeting Agenda

Thursday, 09/08/22 @ 6 p.m.

Commission Members	Public
Francine Locke	Becca Yurkovich
Shawn Stancill	Sari Steuber
Carol Martsolf	Stephanie Shirk
Scott Sidlow	Sue DePompeo
Ed Magargee	Kearni Warren
Steve Clark	Elaine Schaefer
David Director	Christine Reuther
Marc Manfre	
James McLaughlin	
Laura Goodrich-Cairns	
Jaclyn Rhodes	

- 1. Welcome, Roll Call, and Interactive Question Carol Martsolf
 - a. Attendees listed in the table above.
 - b. What sustainability goal do you personally struggle with the most?
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes Carol Martsolf
 - a. Motion to approve by Ed Magargee. Seconded by David Director. Minutes approved.
- 3. Chief Sustainability Officer Update Francine Locke
 - a. CSO highlights 2023 CIP Steering Committee, Department Operating Budgets, Determining best approach for energy procurement through DVRPC, Becca presented at EP-ACT EV workshop, PJM CCC monthly meetings, planning Second Annual Conference, Planning Director interviews, seeking Director of Sustainable Fleet Management
 - b. Upland Park groundbreaking
 - c. Historic Grant Award \$90MM in PA, funding many local green space projects. Round two is coming up applications are due 10/27
 - d. Overview of Greenways Grant Program Round 3
 - e. Provided list of upcoming sustainability funding application deadlines
 - f. ARPA funding update Delco has received over \$110MM for projects

- g. Schedule presented for former Don Guanella Site Park Master Plan
- h. EAC network fall gathering will take place on 10/22
- i. Delco Zero Waste Plan high level update
- j. E-Waste dropoff will take place in October at Upland Park

4. Sustainability Commission Membership Status - Francine Locke

a. Applications were not received by the County Clerk, so the listing will be reopened. This is likely a technical issue as several current Commission members submitted resumes.

5. Zero Waste Update - Ruth Abbe

a. The process is on schedule, but no additional updates were presented.

Public Comment (<u>SustainDelco@co.delaware.pa.us</u> and from Zoom chat) No comments received

6. Sustainability Plan Update - Becca Yurkovich

- a. Update on EP-ACT EV workshop included an update about the County fleet electrification progress that has been made.
- b. Natural Resources Goal #1: protect, conserve, and restore natural resources in Delaware County; List of target areas provided.
- c. Energy and Efficiencies (3) Goals were shared and include energy and water reduction and emissions, increase renewable energy sources, and transition the County's energy infrastructure
- d. Transportation (3) Goals were shared and include increase save and accessible transportation in place of single occupant vehicles, decreasing emissions in the transportation sector, and support access to and adoption of EVs and EV infrastructure.
- e. Zero Waste Goal #1: achieve zero waste in Delco, and #2: reduce emissions from waste. Subcommittee has shared priorities with the Zero Waste Initiative.
- f. Climate Resiliency Goal: prepare Delco to withstand and recover quickly from the effects of climate change
- g. Health and Wellness Goal: to create a safe and healthy environment to live, work, play and thrive (focus on water, air, food, and overall well-being)

7. Penn State Extension - Stephanie Shirk

- a. Provided an overview of the statewide Extension goal to ensure all people have access to science based information through outreach. The program serves all 67 PA counties, with 11k volunteers and 320 subject matter experts.
- b. Program is able to leverage grants to perform research that is then provided to the public.
- c. On-line outreach and access has significantly increased through social media and digital resources
- d. Provided a Delco specific update

8. Delaware County Commerce Center - Laura Goodrich Cairns

- a. Presented overview of Delco Strong Grant Program which provided support during COVID in 2020 for small businesses and nonprofits
- b. Over \$19MM distributed
- c. Presented CHIRP Grant Program overview \$6.3MM through 211 grants (~90% for food services businesses)

9. Review Action Items from Last Meeting

- a. Solar Array update
- b. Future DCTMA updates.

- 10. New Business Carol Martsolf to ask group for new business
 - a. No new business
- 11. Set Action Items for Next Meeting Carol Martsolf a. Provide subcommittee access to capital program

 - b. Repost open Committee positions
 - c. Double check subcommittee invite list

Public Comment (SustainDelco@co.delaware.pa.us and from Zoom chat) No comments received.

12. Adjourn

a. David Director motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Ed Magargee. Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.