



Green Practices Commission

6801 Delmar Boulevard, University City, Missouri 63130, Phone: (314) 862-6767, Fax: (314) 863-9146

Meeting Minutes – University City Green Practices Commission

March 8, 2018

Location: Heman Park Community Center

Attendees Present: Lois Sechrist (Interim Chairperson), Barbara Brain, Adam Staudt, Timothy Dugan, Jenny Wendt (Staff Liaison), Adam Brown (Staff), Terry Crow (Council Liaison)

Absent: Terry Crow (Council Liaison), Kathy Straatmann

1. Meeting Called to Order - Roll Call at 5:33
Special Guests: Gregory Rose, University City City Manager
Sinan Alpaslan, Director of Public Works and Parks
David Pickerill, Executive Director of Missouri Clean Energy District
2. Opening Round:
 - a. Jenny – Handed out information on University City’s recycling economics
 - b. Lois – Reminded the group that this day was International Women’s Day and Earth Day is on April 22.
 - c. Barbara – Watched a documentary from the St. Louis Audubon Society “Hometown Habitat” showing how why native plants are critical to the survival of the ecosystems in our communities.
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. The 2/08/18 minutes were approved with a minor correction.
4. Special Presentations
 - a. Gregory Rose, University City City Manager, shared his vision of sustainability. He believes the following areas are of particular importance:
 - i. LEED Certification
 - ii. Alternative energy vehicles
 - iii. Recycling
 - iv. Rehabbing buildings/energy efficiency
 - v. Community Gardens
 - b. David Pickerill, Executive Director of Missouri Clean Energy District discussed residential opportunities for the PACE program.
5. New Business
 - a. New Member introductions
 - i. Mary Gorman was formerly a pediatric nurse, a member of the recycling task force, and presently a Delmar Loop building owner with a strong interest in sustainability.

- ii. John Solodar has a PhD in Organic Chemistry, retired from Monsanto, frequent member of Boards and Commission for the City.

6. Commission Reports

- a. Council Liaison Update – Terry Crow absent
- b. Quarterly Report – Education/Communication/Advocacy: Timothy Dugan - tabled

7. Closing Round

- a. Lois – Focused on limited single-use plastic reduction – creating a 1-page flyer for Earth Day.
- b. Barbara – Drawdown event is Tuesday, March 13 at the Sheet Metal Union Hall.

8. Adjournment at 6:58 pm.