

Sustainability Committee

April 22nd, 2009
6:00-7:30pm, City Hall

Present: Jennifer Gunby, Holly Coleman, Meghan Hemenway, Michelle Cotton,
Bill Arnold, Annabelle Eason, Becky Fast, Jason Bahr, Bill Art

Staff: Adrienne Foster, Mayor
Jeannie Gochenour, Administrative Assistant

- I. Minutes from March meeting approved.
- II. Announcements
 - a. Ripple Glass to give presentation at May meeting re: information regarding roll off dumpster glass recycling program. Might be interested in Roeland Park location.
 - b. Counsel meeting on May 4th re: new bin option offered by Town & Country for trash and/or recycling pick-up. Jennifer will represent our committee and recommendations regarding the program.
 - c. Jeannie will contact Julie from Johnson Co. Environmental Services re: a presentation about business and home recycling. Will attempt for May meeting.
- III. Raised Bed Demonstration
 - a. May 9th - Raised Bed Tour (self-guided) from 12-1pm, construction demonstrations 2pm
 - b. Three homes chosen, residents will have purchased necessary materials per Michelle's instructions. Public Works will deliver compost to each location Friday, May 8th. Each team will supply wheelbarrow, drill, and shovel for build.
- IV. Bike to Work Week (May 11-15)
 - a. No interest from neighboring cities.
 - b. Will address for 2010, plan in advance for surrounding city and/or ward team challenge(s).
- V. City Sustainability Goals
 - a. Work with area businesses on topics such as recycling, trash clean-up, efficiency, bike racks, etc.
 - b. Work with homeowners on topics such as weatherization, efficiency, rain barrels, recycling, etc.
 - c. Present two main goals to Council for support and/or approval.
- VI. Outstanding Action Items postponed.
- VII. Any Other Business
 - a. Next newsletter article about summer watering, due June 10th
- VIII. Future Action Items
 - a. Work on 2010 budget request - must be approved at May meeting for presentation to Council
 - b. Invite City Forester and Master Gardener to meeting(s) to familiarize them with our committee and discuss possible collaborations and ideas they may have for projects.
- IX. Meeting adjourned - next meeting May 27th, 6pm at City Hall.