

Athens City Environment and Sustainability Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday April 6 2022 6:00 PM
Athens City Building
8 East Washington Street, 3rd Floor
Athens, OH 45701

1. Call to order Chair Aimee Delach called the meeting to order at 6:12 PM. Members present include Aimee Delach, Paul Logue, Katelyn Rousch, Elaine Goetz, Austin Babrow, Megan Westervelt, and Jasmine Facun. Quorum was established. Members absent include Sam Crowl, Megan Almeida, Ed Newman, and Sarah Conley-Bellew.

2. Disposition of Minutes—Elaine motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Austin seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion was

3. Next Meeting Date – May 4, 2022 Jasmine will not be in attendance

4. Old Business

A. Athens Beautification Days—the commission discussed their needs for their project including brown bags and black bags, wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, trowels, mulch and planters.

Katelyn reported on the Student Research Expo at the Convo tomorrow. She has 2 presentations on a compost pilot program and a case study on solar manufacturers. Elaine commented on a few other events on campus including a campus farm tour, student senate environmental justice event, and Kiplinger’s program on environmental journalism. <https://www.ohio.edu/scripps-college/journalism/kiplinger>

5. New Business

A. Jacob Kemp (city VISTA staff)—Paul discussed solar zoning and carbon data collection.

B. Agricultural compost—There was a panel discussion after a screening of *Kiss The Ground* where a local farmer said he travels north of Columbus to get ag compost due to local prices. OU can sell compost but generally uses it for campus grounds. The compost is used as mulch.

6. Announcements and Updates—Aimee mentioned a Ukraine fundraiser this week.

7. Adjournment--Elaine motioned to adjourn the meeting. Logue seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Logue