

Athens City Environment and Sustainability Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Athens City Hall, First Floor Conference Room
Wednesday, January 9, 2013

A regular meeting of the Athens City Environment and Sustainability Commission was held in the first floor conference room at Athens City Hall at 5:30 PM on January 9, 2013.

1. Call to Order

Cliff Hamilton called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM. Members present include Cliff Hamilton, Ed Newman, Bernard Debatin, Chris Fahl, and Paul Logue. Markie Miller and Liz Rhodes confirmed their absence in advance. No guests were present.

2. Disposition of Minutes

Ed motioned to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2012 regular meeting. Bernard seconded. All voted in favor.

3. Old Business

Trash/recycling—discussion on drafting some policies on recycling for council to consider such as duplicating or expanding some of OU's projects like battery drop off stations, e-waste collections etc. A suggestion was made to invite the university's new waste management coordinator to a meeting to talk in more detail on these issues.

4. New Business

Sustainability definition—Bernard gave a summary of the sustainability document he distributed prior to the meeting. Cliff suggested this definition:

"The City of Athens is committed to the environmental, social, and economic health of the community. This commitment to sustainability acknowledges the needs of the present without compromising the needs or opportunities of future generations."

5. Assignments for Next Meeting

Website—Commission discussed hosting a website. Paul Logue will check with city IT staff regarding having an external domain linked to the city site.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6, 2013 at 5:30 PM in the conference room at City Hall, 8 East Washington Street.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

