

Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee

Chairman Politsch called the meeting of the Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee to order at 4:01 P.M., on July 6, 2010, at Alton City Hall, 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois.

Members Present: Alderman Mick McCahill, Alderman David Boulds, Darrell McGibany, Jeremy Mills, and Chairman Wayne Politsch

Members Absent: Zeke Jabusch and Joel Schwaab

Staff and Guests: Matt Asselmeier

Alderman David Boulds made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2010, March 9, 2010, April 6, 2010, and May 4, 2010 meetings and the minutes of the June 1, 2010 discussion, seconded by Darrell McGibany. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion occurred regarding the Climate Action Plan. Matt Asselmeier presented his notes from his conversation with the sustainability coordinator of Evanston, Illinois. Matt Asselmeier presented his portion of the Climate Action Plan research and Jeff Dale's portion of the Climate Action Plan research. Alderman Boulds presented his portion of the Climate Action Plan research. Chairman Politsch will contact Joel Schwaab regarding his research and will contact Edwardsville regarding ICLEI and statistics. Committee members will review the Climate Action Plan research at the next meeting.

Darrell McGibany reported that he was unsuccessful in contacting Madison County Community Development regarding the County's use of energy grant funds.

Matt Asselmeier reported that the City has applied for an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant. The City also applied for an EEP grant from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. The total grant request was \$54,490. The EEP funds would serve as the match; the City would not pay anything for the grant. If awarded, the grant funds would be used to upgrade the lights, daylight sensors, air sealing overhead doors setbacks and setpoints, and demand control ventilation at the City's Public Works Building. The application was submitted on June 11th and we are waiting for a response.

Matt Asselmeier reported the City is partnering with the City of Florissant, St. Louis Community College, and Lewis and Clark Community College on a grant for electric vehicles and charging stations. The grant is due to EPA in Washington, D.C. on July 26th.

Discussion occurred regarding recycling and picking up litter during events at the Amphitheater. Darrell McGibany suggested that bands should make an announcement regarding litter and recycling. Jeremy Mills suggested amending the Amphitheater

contract to make vendor's responsible for providing opportunities for recycling and serving food on materials that can be recycled.

Discussion also occurred regarding Madison County's Weatherization program and Habitat for Humanity's activities in the area.

There will be an online training session hosted by EPA on July 8th entitled "Teaching Commercial Building Energy Efficiency." Discussion occurred regarding inviting business owners to future online training sessions.

There being no additional business or discussions, Chairman Politsch adjourned the meeting at 4:50 P.M.

The next meeting is August 3rd, at 4:00 P.M., at City Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew H. Asselmeier, MPA