

## MINUTES

Eugene Sustainability Commission  
McNutt Room—Eugene City Hall—777 Pearl Street  
Eugene, Oregon

July 18, 2012  
5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Kathi Jaworski, Dawn Lesley, Rusty Rexius, Sue Wolling, Dave Funk, Alan Zelenka, Steve Newcomb, Shawn Boles, Claire Syrett, Sarah Mazze, Howard Bonnett, Sasha Luftig, commissioners; Babe O’Sullivan, Ella Forest, City Manager’s Office.

ABSENT: Jessica Bloomfield, commissioner.

Ms. Jaworski called the July 18, 2012, meeting of the Sustainability Commission to order.

### 1. Opening – agenda review, approval of minutes

Ms. Jaworski called for corrections or clarifications to the June 20, 2012 minutes. There was one correction.

Mr. Bonnett, seconded by Ms. Wolling, moved to approve the June 20, 2012, minutes as corrected. The motion passed, 8:0, Mr. Rexius and Mr. Funk abstained.

### 2. Public comment

There was no public comment.

### 3. Elections

Mr. Bonnett, seconded by Mr. Boles, moved to elect Ms. Jaworski as commission chair and Mr. Newcomb as vice chair. The motion passed, 10:0.

### 4. Items from commissioners and staff

Mr. Zelenka provided several updates on Council activity including:

- Resolution 5064 calling for the regulation of greenhouse gases with the Clean Air Act - passed on a vote of 5:3.
- Resolution 5065 opposing transport of coal by rail through Eugene – Council work session postponed until September 17. A panel discussion is proposed with two speakers each for the pro and con positions.
- Ordinance banning plastic bags – will be the subject of a public hearing on September 17. Councilor Zelenka recommended that each commissioner lobby their city councilor to support the \$.05 fee included in the ban.

### 5. Orientation for new commissioners

Ms. Jaworski lead the group through an activity focused on each member’s introduction and past activity in the field of sustainability.

**6. BREAK**

**7. Climate Communications project**

Ms. O'Sullivan presented the results from a research project looking at local public attitudes about climate change and sustainable consumption. Commissioners will be given the full reports and research results once they are published.

**8. Retreat planning**

Ms. Jaworski led a discussion to review the work of the commission over the last year, including successes and challenges. The group also brainstormed a list of potential work plan items for the FY 13 work plan to be developed in the upcoming retreat, scheduled for July 28. Ms. Jaworski directed staff to look into postponing the commission's work planning retreat until September due to lower than expected attendance for the July date.

**9. Closing: next meeting, other follow-up**

The next commission meeting was scheduled for September 19, 2012.

Ms. Jaworski adjourned the meeting.

*(Recorded by Babe O'Sullivan)*