CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Council Chambers, Urbana City Building Tuesday, February 3, 2015

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Marya Ryan, Vice Chair Stephen Wald, Morgan Johnston, Todd Rusk, Andrew Stumpf, Rachel Vellenga

Commissioners Absent: Bart Bartels

Staff Present: Scott Tess, Kate Brickman

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Kate Brickman called the roll and a quorum was present.

Changes to the Agenda

The presentation on Renewable Energy Markets by Kevin Borgia has been cancelled because snowstorms in Chicago prevented Mr. Borgia from being able to travel to Urbana.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Motion was made by Ms. Johnston, second by Ms. Vellenga, to approve the minutes from the January 6, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Input

Jerre Stonecipher, Champaign, spoke about Citizens' Climate Lobby, an advocacy organization focused on national policies to address climate change. Commissioners engaged in discussion regarding the Carbon Fee and Dividend policy proposal, created to internalize the costs of burning carbon-based fuels, and asked for a future presentation at an upcoming meeting.

Communications

Staff Report

Scott Tess gave the monthly Staff Report that included progress for the Climate Action Plan (CAP) Phase 2 highlighting the areas of the Georgetown University Energy Prize, the feasibility of a Public Electric Vehicle Charging Station, and discussion with the Champaign County Association of Realtors. Additionally, the report noted a City Green Team update, Public Engagement at Clark-Lindsay Retirement Village, Fix a Leak Week promotional activities, and various U-Cycle undertakings, including the announcement that he City of Urbana has been awarded the 2014 WasteWise Local Government Partner of the Year Award by the US Environmental Protection Agency for achievement in waste reduction, tracking, and reporting.

The Report stated March 3 as the next meeting date.

Continuing Business

There was no continuing business to address.

New Business

Draft Green Procurement Policy

Scott Tess distributed and briefly discussed a draft copy of a City of Urbana Green Procurement Policy that would serve to minimize human health and environmental impacts from purchasing choices.

Announcements

Scott Tess announced the Boneyard Creek Improvements Project Naming Contest. Ideas can be submitted online by February 5 at www.urbanaillinois.us/naming-contest.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

This meeting was recorded.