

Green team 3/1/2012

John Hall, Rich Dennis, Jim Kotcon, Chris Van Dyke, Chris Haddox, Trevor Lloyd, Molly Wilson, Jessie Nickerson, Pam Cubberly, Steven Woodruff.

Previous minutes approved, should correct Woodward school to Woodburn school.

School property issue, city to acquire property, to study issue as to what to do with the property.

Appalachian Stewardship Foundation Grant issue, for profit can apply, looking at Downstream Strategies as partner. Rich and Evan submitted brief one pager to study CO2 emissions benchmark. They have 45 days to reply, favorable response then calls for full proposal.

Clean air act, Jim and Chris attended council meeting where 3 confessed not to have read the resolution that they voted for. Then resolution conflicted with closing of power plants, bad PR move. Council called special meeting to repeal resolution, which looks like endorsement of administration. Resolution referred back to Green team for revision. Manilla indicated too political, also too much detail for resolution, referenced "Frank and Ernest". Option 1 is

rewrite resolution to be more agreeable. Option 2 is going in new direction, but don't mention greenhouse gases. Option 3 is drop the issue. Since resolution is non-binding, can tell council we agree with resolution, but since does nothing, let's drop this issue. We want to indicate that the Green team sees the resolution to be accurate and support it, but the resolution does not do any thing specific, we are OK with council dropping it. Jim moves to table until next meeting and inquire of council for their input on issue.

Trevor addressed LED street light issue. Spruce has too much ambient light to properly evaluate . Looking at section of University Ave (up near Grand Central) where it is dark and put in 4 units to replace sodium vapor. Addressed issue of having control lamps in the section as well. We will pay for lamps, First Energy will do free install, we must maintain. Jim K asks to go forward with this to get real data on LED lighting. Trevor will get estimate, then we will make further decision.

Rich hasn't done anything on city vehicle fuel issue, but with fuel prices going up, now is time to strike. Chris indicates we need to get data soon, or it disappears after an interval. Rich will inquire of Trevor about annual mileage on city vehicles. Should be available from inspection garage. Goal is to get data for city on actual vehicle expenses. Rich will put data in Dropbox for all to have access.

Constellation issue has been visited. Chris has pdf of report. They report projected savings, but do not have actual numbers. We did present numbers earlier and city manager directed Trevor to follow up on tracking data. Report will be posted.

Jim K addressed city studying rezoning of U. Farm to permit gas exploration. Planning group working on proposal to be presented to council. They are looking at avoiding ethical issues with rezoning for profit (by city), so are looking beyond airport property. This needs to go the planning commission and they would propose new zoning if they agree. Proposal has a good set of restrictions to protect populace. Jim recommends we continue to monitor the situation and see what planning commission comes up with.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Woodruff