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Agenda
Sustainable Environment Advisory Committee (SEAC)
St. Joseph, MO
July 28, 2021 3:00 PM

This will be a Zoom meeting set up through the City of St. Joseph.

Welcome and Call to order by Diane Waddell, moderator.
Thanks to Dr. Kim Schutte, staff liaison, for setting up the Zoom call.

Acknowledge June **Minutes**

Roll call by check-in

Statement of purpose in recognition that we are a part of the Mayor’s Climate Network
This committee comes from a Resolution which states: *Resolved, That the City of Saint Joseph continue to expand on innovative environmental programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions*

- Goals:**
- Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
 - Plant and nurture trees and native plants
 - Decrease single-use plastics
 - Encourage and support businesses which model environmental sustainability
 - Decrease greenhouse gas emissions

Old Business:

Green Businesses — Greener St. Joe — Subcommittee currently LuAnn Cadden, Sara Markt, Jan Storts, Diane Waddell

A. Follow-up change of agreement (last paragraph) with Green businesses and SEAC
PROPOSED: In order to qualify as a Green Business, a business will have incorporated one or more of the above practices or is looking to incorporate them in the near future. (SEAC is happy to provide guidance and support as needed.)

PRIOR: In order to qualify as a Green Business, businesses must have documented evidence that they have met one or more of the above standards.

B. Follow-up report of meeting with Trevor Tutt of Mo-Kan related to SEAC Green Business program and Downtown St. Joseph Main Street

Greenway Proposal — Kyle Beauchamp [1]

Tree Projects, Prairie Restoration and Native Plantings

- A. Prairie Restoration
 - 1. MWSU Prairie dedicated to Dr. John Rushin — Jeff Powelson
 - 2. Mosaic Prairie — Sean DeWeese
- B. Krug Park Native Plantings — LuAnn Cadden
- D. Tree projects/plans — Martha Clark
- E. Native Planting Team
 - 1. Report of July 7 and follow up meetings
 - 2. Next meeting at Remington Center on August 16 at 1 PM
 - 3. Members and stakeholders

SJSD
Downtown Community Improvement
Neighborhood Associations
Reimagining Heritage Neighborhoods
St. Joseph Parkway and Parks and Rec
Water Protection

Dr. Gabe Edgar and Mickey Gill
Christy George
(Carol Flury, consultant)
Kim Schutte
Chuck Kempf
Colleen Armstrong

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| St. Joseph businesses Master Gardeners | (Anne Manns) |
| Sustainable Environment Advisory Committee | Kyle Beauchamp, LuAnn Cadden, Diane Waddell, |
| Other gardening groups Ecumenical Eco-Justice (EEJ) Other Schools MWSU | Mary Jo Harris, Shelley White7 |
| St. Joseph Museum/ including Wyeth Tootle Remington Nature Center MDC | Corinda Stallbaumer Sarah Elder Jeff Powelson (also representing SEAC) |

F. Goals

1. Raising awareness of the importance of native plantings in business and home landscapes , stressing carbon capture, teaming up with other community groups
2. Possible theme: Back to our Roots (from Kyle Beauchamp)
3. Ideas: script, brochure, markers, "Pollinator Restoration" areas

Ongoing City Partnership Reports

- A. Historic Preservation — Dr. Kim Schutte,
1. including Reimagining Heritage Neighborhoods

2. **PROGRAM: SARA MARKT with SMart ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN**

- B. Water Protection — Stormwater subcommittee, Katie Bruegge, Colleen Armstrong

Mayors for Clean Energy (Ready for 100 Campaign): GEO Team (Green Energy Opportunity Team)

1. GEO Team includes organizations, academic institutions, community groups and individuals which represent stakeholders. SEAC is represented as well as the City. They meet at 4 PM on the third Monday of the month.

Description: *That the City of St. Joseph will develop incremental goals for 2025-2030-2035 to utilize cleaner energy in areas such as transportation, built environment, housing, and other energy systems.*

Stakeholders would include representatives from City departments, businesses, academic institutions, public health, housing, environmental and low income advocates, utility companies, and members of the community.

This team [is] called the GEO Team (Green Energy Opportunity) Team and [is] set up through the Sustainable Environment Advisory Committee. Members will work with the Mayor, elected officials, and other city leaders as needed.

2. *** PROPOSED RESOLUTION REVIEW

Social Media/Education

Monthly focus for Facebook/City Highlights: 2021 Facebook monthly themes:

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| Feb | Clean Energy Focus (Dr. Drake) |
| March | Native Plants (LuAnn) |
| April | Earth Day (Green Small Business Awards with #GreenerStJoe) Balanced approaches to agriculture and energy (Jeff Powelson) |
| May | Historic Preservation (Dr. Schutte) |
| June | Continued historic preservation (Landmark Commission - Report from Roger Martin) |

July Sustainable urban planning/architecture (Sara Markt)
August Trees (Dr. Barta)
September Pollinators (Jeff Powelson)
October Sustainable energy technologies (Dr. Drake)
November Water Conservation (Katie Bruegge)
December

New Business:

1. Greener St. Joe Planet Party — Saturday, July 31, 1-4 (education event)
2. Public Comment

Next Meeting: August 25, 3:00 per Zoom

Topic: SEAC

Time: Jul 28, 2021 03:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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