



# City of Hudson, Ohio

## Meeting Minutes - Draft Environmental Awareness Committee

*Jeff Wells, Chair*

*Jack Brookhart, Vice Chair*

*Jess Ennis*

*Eric Hancsak*

*Nicole Kowalski*

*Ivana Matyas*

*Leanne Schumacher*

*Sonya Mottram, Administrative Support Supervisor*

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Monday, April 2, 2018

7:30 PM

Town Hall

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### **I. Call to Order**

**Mr. Wells called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.**

**Present:** 7 - Mr. Brookhart, Mr. Ennis, Mr. Hancsak, Mrs. Kowalski, Mrs. Matyas, Mrs. Schumacher and Mr. Wells

Also in attendance: Mrs. Mottram, Administrative Support Supervisor.

Mrs. Kowalski introduced herself to the committee and informed them of her environmental interest.

### **II. Approval of the Minutes**

**A motion was made by Mr. Ennis, seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, that the March 5, 2018, meeting minutes be approved as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

### **III. Public Comments**

Olivia Guido spoke on behalf of the Service Learning class at Hudson Middle School. She and fellow students will need to do a project that will impact the community.

### **IV. Subcommittee Reports**

#### **A. Sustainable Building Practices Subcommittee**

Mr. Brookhart stated that he was meeting Mr. Greg Hannan, Community Development Director, regarding downtown phase II project on April 10th.

#### **B. Recycling / Trash Subcommittee**

Mr. Brookhart commented on the recycling availability for downtown phase II. He is seeking more information regarding the trash and recycling cans for the downtown Main St. He is evaluating the recycling reports from the

refuse haulers. Mr. Wells and Mr. Brookhart will meet with Park Board member, Mr. Gene Fitch regarding the recycling containers in the City Parks.

**C. Communication / Environment Education Programs**

Mr. Hancsak is working on the Green on the Green Day communication and planning a Facebook Live. The sub-committee is looking for other options to notify vendors and residents of the event. Mr. Ennis stated that he would work on the publicity for the Keep Hudson Cemeteries Beautiful event on May 19th.

**D. Keep Hudson Beautiful Subcommittee**

Keep Hudson Beautiful is organizing a team to complete the 2018 litter index report for Hudson's affiliation on April 18th. Mrs. Matyas will be meeting with Cemetery staff for recommendations on native plants to plant for the Keep Hudson Cemeteries Beautiful Day. She is also looking at areas for invasive plant species removal.

**E. Storm water / Watershed Education Subcommittee**

The sub-committee met with Sandy Barbic, Summit Soil and Water Conservation District, regarding this year's storm water theme. The message is "On the Road to Clean Water". Each season will focus on elements to keep fluids off the road. Winter will focus on salt for snow removal. Spring will focus on car maintenance. Mr. Wells suggested a clean-up of invasive species at the Barlow Community Center rain garden.

**F. Renewable Energy Subcommittee**

The sub-committee is keeping in contact with City staff regarding the solar park project. No new updates.

**V. Old Business**

None.

**VI. New Business**

**A. Recorded Meetings**

Mrs. Mottram stated that starting in May, all EAC meeting will be video recorded. She will be training with City staff.

**B. Simple Recycling**

Mrs. Mottram announced that City administration prefers to move forward with the Simple Recycling program. The recycling program that takes soft goods and small electrics at the curbside. Mrs. Mottram will be contacting the company for a contract for the City to review.

**VII. Other Committee Comments & Announcements**

Mr. Hancsak announced that he will speaking at the Hudson Library on April 5th.

**VIII. Adjournment**

**There being no further business, a motion was made by Mrs. Matyas, seconded by Mr. Ennis, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.**

**Mr. Wells adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.**

**Next Meeting: Monday, May 7, 2018**

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**Jeffrey Wells, Chair**

*Upon approval by the Environmental Awareness Committee, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording, excluding executive sessions.*