

## BCOS November Minutes

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
  - Kristina Anderson- absent
  - Matt Austin - present
  - Kate-Lyn Edwards - present, virtual
  - Matt Flaherty - present, virtual
  - Aanya Jain- absent
  - David Maenner - present
  - Shawn Miya - present
  - Nejla Routsong - present
  - Joe Wynia - present
  - Nolan Henderson - present
  - Elisha Hardy - absent
  - Emma Ferguson - present
3. Approval of Agenda - no objections, approved
4. Approval of Minutes- September Meeting
  - Changes to be made by David
  - October meeting minutes to be approved in December
5. Public Comment (15-20 minutes, up to 3 minutes per person)
  - none
6. Report from Acting Chair
  - a. Environmental Commission chair meeting
    - Joe had meeting with chair of environmental commission to discuss overlapping duties, made a connection suggestion
  - b. Annual Report Council Presentation
    - Presentation to council of annual report is December 7 at 6:30 pm at their regular meeting
      - Email Joe any changes to our report by November 30, get to Joe by November 25th
7. Report from Staff Liaison
  - Climate & Sustainability Progress Report
    - Overview of CAP and SAP
    - Can be found at [Bloomington.in.gov](http://Bloomington.in.gov)
    - More to report in 2023
  - b. Inflation Reduction Act Provisions
    - Lots of questions from public
    - A Consumer Guide available on the NRDC
  - c. ERI 2022 Resilience Cohort
    - Both city of Bloomington and Monroe County participating
    - Climate vulnerability planning for things like flooding
    - Environmental Resilience Initiative

D. Jessica Davis

8. Report from Council Ex-Officio - Matt Flaherty

a. Nov. 29th Council Climate Committee Meeting

- Link to Council meeting is on website
- Matt is no longer with ERI, now with EnergyWorks
- Position posted on IU jobs if anyone interested
- 2 ordinances considering this week, increases to storm water tax
- Wastewater treatment, rising costs need offset
- Work is to reduce flooding in the downtown area
- Ordinance 25: change in procedural process green way projects
- Decrease in number of signatures required,

9. Reports from Commissioners

a. Just Transition

- Did not meet but had discussion to alter the focus of working group
- Come back to commission to give presentation to introduce new focus at December meeting

b. Heat Task Force

- MoCo Health Dep provided info on emergency visits relating to heat
- More info to come from hospital, provide in materials
- What is being done, what is to be done and what will be done to avoid duplication throughout the city
- Extreme heat education materials for next year's fair
- Research funding opportunities (grants, etc.)
- Reached out to Dana Habib who works with IU School of Informatics
  - Advise with moving forward, present
- Nejla asked about including animal welfare
  - Will take under advisement

c. Waste Management

- Worked on Compost Captains outline for implementation plan
- In communication with Carton Council
  - Found out the current contract does not allow for carton recycling
  - Find out when contract ends and potential new contracts that include carton recycling

10. Discussions Not Resolutions

- Rotary Sunrise Club looking for ways to become involved, possibility of competition between Rotary clubs
- Sustainability Statewide interest group at IU School of Medicine
  - Shared local resources with students
  - Zero Bloomington website

a. EarthKeepers Presentation Proposal

- Potential to have Earthkeepers present at a meeting
- Nejla: good idea
- 15 minutes or less
- Joe will make presentation request
- No other comments

## 11. Resolutions for First Reading

### a. SDG Resolution

- Written by David Maenner
- Adoption of United Nations 17 SDGs resolution
- Working groups could take on projects and define that scope
  - Project is a temporary endeavor
- Does this replace the Climate Action Plan?
  - SDGs are much more broader than city's goals
  - **Change “sole model” to “primary model”**
  - SDGs allows commission to work on things outside of city's focus
  - SDGs are global initiative
- Propose the whereas could instead use resolved
  - Matt agrees with resolved but does not think it matters much
- Kate-Lyn suggests altering project “identification” to project “definition”
  - Take out identification
- Need more specificity when talking about SDG focus areas to facilitate
  - At least one but no more than three
  - Required to have primary, secondary or collateral? Optional
  - **Changes to “with the option of primary, secondary and collateral outcomes.”**

## 12. New Business

- David asking for assessment of manpower needs in the form of student assistance?
  - What type of need and # of hours
  - Students with focus on project management and sustainability
  - How regular of support could we expect?
    - Depends on projects we plan and what is needed
  - Possibly 5 hours a month, similar to what we as commissioners invest
  - Keep in mind for the future, next year
  - When planning new objectives and goals, reach out to David with need

## 13. Adjournment

- No objections, 7:15 pm