

ASHLAND CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE OUTREACH COMMISSION

Action Minutes

Nov. 17, 2021 – 3 to 5 PM

Meeting Video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RXAO_LfGu7o

1. (3:00) Call to Order.

- Commissioners present: Buck, Walker, McGinnis, Koopman, Rosenthal, Sohl, Cooper, Moore, Staff: Green, Council: Graham
- Commissioners absent: none

2. Consent Agenda (5 min)

2.1. [Sept. 22, 2021 Meeting Action Minutes](#)

- >> Motion: Approval of minutes. Buck/McGinnis. Passes.

3. (3:05) Announcements (15 min)

3.1. Next Regular Meeting: December 15, 2021

3.2. Other Announcements from Commissioners

- >> **All Commissioners** be aware:
 - CCOC has permission for Moore to represent ASD on the Commission.
 - There is one open seat on the commission, and another will become available Dec 1.
 - There is one application in-process.
 - Sohl is resigning from CCOC effective Dec 1 and intends to apply for CPC.
- > Motion: Propose that CCOC write a letter to recommend Sohl to the mayor, and empower Chair to write it and submit on CCOC's behalf. McGinnis/Walker. Passes.

3.3. Reports from Members of Other Commissions

- None.

4. (3:20) Public Forum will be taken as written and oral testimony. Please submit testimony via the [CCOC contact form](#) by 10 a.m. the day before the meeting to be included in the minutes. If you would like to speak, please indicate that on the form. (5 min)

- None.

5. (3:25) - Reports/Presentations (50 min)

5.1. Ashland Solar Cooperative presentation (30 min)

5.2. Council Update (5 min)

5.3. Staff Update (5 min)

5.4. SOU Update (5 min)

- >> **All commissioners** be aware SOU is collaborating with SOCAN on a climate action survey that will be released soon.

5.5. Recology Update (5 min)

- >> **All commissioners** be aware, next leaf drop event at transfer station Dec 12, 9a-4p

6. (4:15) Business (35 min)

- 6.1. [Review of agreements](#) and time commitments (15 min)
 - > Group generally agreed that it is important to be respectful to each other.
- 6.2. CCOC Subgroup progress reports (10 min)
 - Subgroup #1 – CEAP implementation support (McGinnis, Sohl, Cooper)
 - [Subgroup #2 – Outreach framework](#) (Buck, Moore, Rosenthal, Koopman)
 - Subgroup #3 – Education/Coordination (Walker, Sohl, Koopman)
 - > Group generally agreed not all work is being captured by subgroups.
- 6.3. Commission Monthly Column in Sneak Preview (10 min)
 - Review [article for January - Rogue To Go](#)
 - > Motion: Approval of article. McGinnis/Cooper, passes unanimously
 - >> **All Commissioners** be aware:
 - Group agrees Ashland Solar Co-op can write next article, with review by commission – due 12/6 for Feb publication
 - Wildfire – due in Jan for Mar
 - Youth voices – due in Feb for April
 - CPC / CCOC –due Mar for May

Month Published	Article	Assigned To	Due for Packet	Due to Sneak Preview
January	Rogue To Go	Walker & Buck	Nov. 3	Dec. 5
February	Ashland Solar Cooperative	Koopman/Hartman	Dec. 6	Jan. 5
March	Wildfire Safety Commission	Sohl/Gagne	Jan. 12	Feb. 5
April				Mar. 5
TBD –Community Climate Survey Results, Should I move? (Due to climate change), Climate Voices stories				

- 7. (4:50) **Wrap Up** (10 min)
 - 7.1. Items to be added to future agendas
 - CCOC Priorities discussion and retreat
 - New Commissioners
 - > Motion: Commissioner Buck to be Vice-chair. Walker / Cooper, passes.

- >> **Koopman** will take over Sohl's spot on the cross-commission group.
- > Motion: invite Libby Vanwyhe to present at next meeting about N mountain park outreach opportunities, Rosenthal / Walker, passes.

Conservation and Climate Outreach Commission

The purpose of Ashland's Conservation and Climate Outreach Commission is to support the achievement of Ashland's Community Climate Recovery Goals and conservation activities. The Commission shall actively encourage Community entities and individuals to make wise use of resources and make progress toward Ashland's Community Climate Goals as set forth in the most current City Council approved version of the Climate and Energy Action Plan.

The Conservation and Climate Outreach Commission consists of nine voting members including one representative each from the solid waste franchisee for the City, Southern Oregon University, and the Ashland School District, and six other voting members.

Powers and Duties Generally:

- A. Consistent with City policies and procedures, educate and advocate for Ashland's Community Climate Recovery Goals
- B. Consistent with the Climate and Energy Action Plan, make recommendations on strategies, actions, and programs related to the wise and efficient use of resources by all Ashland citizens, including:
 - a. Consumption of goods and services;
 - b. Materials management, waste prevention, reduction, and recycling;
 - c. Conservation and efficient use of electricity, water, and natural resources;
 - d. Promotion of community, residential, and commercial renewable resources;
 - e. Air quality awareness; and
 - f. Climate resilience and preparedness.