

Minutes
Sustainability Commission
February 10, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.
 ● **City Hall - 1 S Huron St, Ypsilanti**

Beth Gibbons	P	A
Julia Bayha	P	A
Bryan Foley	P	A
Nancy Heine	P	A
Takunia Collins	P	A
Shannon Baer	P	A
Paula Sizemore, Chair	P	A
Erik McCleary	P	A
Colton Babladelis	P	A

● **Approval of Minutes**

- January 13, 2025
 - Motioned - Beth Gibbons
 - Seconded - Shannon Baer

● **Audience Participation**

- *Open for general public comment. Please limit to five minutes.*

● **Community Resilience Hub**

Upcoming meeting for Hub Network
 ICPJ Environmental Justice grant submitted

● **Earth Day April 2025 Updates (EDY/5)**

- Consider, submit themes around: climate/resistance/strength
- Updates of City, County organizations, individuals participating to date

Actions:

- Establishment of a subcommittee for Earth Day planning with working sessions ASAP
- Budget requests for City Council (Earth Day activities) needed
- Identify City Climate information/resources and initiatives to distribute for Earth Days

● **Staff Report/Updates-**

- Grant submitted to State for EV conversion and installation of charging station
- With Parks Dep, presentation on urban forestry, tree care Feb 17, 2025, 5:30 pm

● **Filling Commission Seats**

- Sustainability Commissioner Seat/Nominations

● **Reports (Commissioners & Council Liaison)**

- Hub Network meeting -
- Reviewed April 2024 City & Sustainability Resolution as Bee City USA: “low mow” to

support pollinator populations, reduction of mowing frequency (beginning April), heights 6-12", and no lower than 3" during pollinator season.

- End of Year reporting
 - March review

Motion to end meeting [Bryan Foley](#)`
Seconded: TC Collins

Meeting adjourned at **8:34 pm**

Notes:

Upcoming Meeting Topics

- Earth Days Planning
- Early 2025 - April Pollinators & "No Mow" May updates, pollinators, lawn care, ecosystem changes
- *JustTransition or MAJIC (Green Jobs)*
- Ann Arbor 2030 District
- Update on County resources/location
- Michigan Medicine Updates
- Gas vs Electric vehicles