

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

**Decorah Sustainability Commission**

**Wednesday, June 15, 2022, 5:30 - 6:45 pm**

**Decorah City Hall, Council Chambers**

**And via Zoom**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88408179830?pwd=cVF5UTk5QXA1Z1BLOWR2sxUGtkQT09>**

### **AGENDA**

1. Call to order.
2. Approval of May meeting minutes. (See attachment)
3. Quick Updates:
  - a. Review of DSC terms, duties, and responsibilities (See attachment)
  - b. Ben Grimstad and Michelle Barness reappointed by Mayor Borowski to new 6-year terms
  - c. Downtown recycling bins (Jeremy Leitz)
  - d. EV charger installation (Jeremy Brill)
  - e. Solar at Pulpit Rock Campground (Travis)
  - f. Communications & Outreach plan (Travis)
  - g. Sustainability Budget (Travis)
4. Action Items:
  - a. Consider request by the City Streets Department to support the use of \$7,500 of sustainability funds to cover a portion of the cost to purchase a leaf vacuum. (See attachment) (Jeremy Brill)
5. Discussion Items:
  - a. Response of subcommittees to [City Council Sustainability Plan revision and prioritization](#) (second tab)
    - i. Energy
    - ii. Communications and Outreach
    - iii. Social Sustainability
    - iv. Land Use
    - v. Air and Water
6. Other Business.

## 7. Adjourn.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Sustainability Commission shall be to advise the City Council and recommend action on policies and practices that relate to the sustainable use and management of our collective resources, including both human and environmental, as well as our economic resources. The Sustainability Commission will help to ensure that such resources will be sustained and continue to provide for a high quality of life for present and future generations of Decorah doing so by following the processes outlined in the Decorah Sustainability Plan and updating the plan accordingly every 5 years.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- A. Collaborate with city staff to review, evaluate, develop, and advise the City Council on policies and practices regarding the sustainable use and management of resources to include the eight categories or systems outlined in the Sustainability Plan including Energy, Transportation, Waste, Economic Development, Communication and Educational Outreach, Social Sustainability, Land Use, and Air and Water;
- B. Act as a change agent, coordinator, and educator for policies, procedures, and proposals that relate to environmental, social and economic sustainability;
- C. Engage with the Decorah community and serve as a community liaison for issues, ideas, and proposals and provide appropriate feedback;
- D. Cultivate relationships with residents, community groups, businesses, institutions of higher learning, faith-based organizations, outside government bodies, and non-governmental institutions;
- E. Serve as a resource for other Decorah commissions, boards, committees, and task forces on any issues related to sustainability;
- F. Adopt criteria and processes for making decisions about the use of resources and selection of sustainability projects;
- G. Review sustainability proposals and make recommendations; and
- H. Submit written annual work plans and progress reports to the City Council.

### **2022 Meeting Dates - Third Wednesday of each month, 5:30 – 6:45 PM**

January 19, February 16, March 16, April 20, May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21, October 19, November 16, December 21

### **Link to Sustainability Commission Information:**

<https://www.decorahia.org/commission-and-boards>

### **Link to City of Decorah Sustainability Plan:**

<https://www.decorahia.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Sustainability-Plan-Decorah-FINAL-MARCH-2020.pdf>