



## Royal Oak Sustainability and Climate Action Plan (S-CAP)

### APPROVED - Task Force Meeting Minutes

Zoom- remote meeting – February 03, 2022

6:30-8:00pm

- Welcome/ Call to Order at 6:36pm
  
- Roll Call- name and location
  - Ann Bueche-Royal Oak
  - Woody Gontina- Royal Oak
  - Amanda Herzog-Royal Oak
  - Andrew Sarpolis -Royal Oak
  - Julie Lyons Bricker-Royal Oak
  - Absent: Paul Vial
  
- Approve Previous Minutes
  - Motion by Woody G.
  - 2nd by Amanda H.
  - Approved unanimously
  
- Approve Agenda
  - Motion by Ann B.
  - 2nd by Woody G.
  - Approved unanimously
  
- Discuss plan development
  - Submission date adjustment- No status update, still aiming for March 28
  - SmithGroup status- No status update, consultants are reviewing all info in Google and are reviewing action tables and metrics and ICLEI BAU data.
  - Vision statement – Task Force needs more time to contemplate vision statement. Agreed to meet again in the next few days to work on vision statement only. (Julie will added 6/29 event word cloud and link to survey summary to the Google doc to help show what community stakeholders are thinking about relative to sustainability)
  - Stakeholder outreach - How do we get public comment on this draft plan?
    - Julie did not have time to get this planned with Judy ahead of the meeting. Stay tuned for more info. She has a meeting with Judy next Monday to discuss survey outreach options.
  
- Plan development progress
  - Focus topic tables



Revisit this for editing (“Utility partnership” might be a way to replace the “required” word in 1.2.7- more wordsmithing next time)

- Andrew was asked to discuss the intent of these (and the group tried to update language for these):
  - Now known as 1.2.9 Royal Oak will resolve to achieve the remainder of its GHG reduction goals by negotiating with its utility to supply the community with enough renewable energy to make up any shortfall required to meet GHG reduction goals.
  - Now known as 1.2.10. If negotiations with the utility to achieve the city's GHG reduction goals are unsuccessful, explore the creation of a community cooperative utility.
  - Long discussion of how this may work. What is reasonable?  
.Negotiations with DTE to provide renewable energy must be reasonable in price. (no price gouging by DTE)
- When will community solar be legal in Michigan
  - Implementation strategy table- line item I 10.- change language as the EAB fits this description.
  - Julie and Rachel will continue working on the plan.
- Any last questions/comments?
- Next steps
  - Learn more about community solar aggregation, write definitions for the glossary for locally owned utility, community solar aggregation, etc.
  - Julie & Rachel will keep working on the plan pages.
- Wrap up and Confirm Next Meeting
  - Zoom meeting (Julie will send out) 2/17/2022 @ 5:30 pm
  - Meet to create vision statement Feb. 5, 2022 at 9:00 am. Julie will send out Zoom link
- Public Comment
  - None submitted
- Adjournment approx. 8:10pm
  - Motion by Andrew
  - 2nd by Woody
  - Approved unanimously