



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2011
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rogers called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll. Committee members Rogers, Simon and Germana were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Miller and Connally were also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

The following citizens addressed the Committee regarding issues of concern to them regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0047:

- 1) Terry Allen
- 2) G. Andre Spencer
- 3) Ron Tally
- 4) Gary Broberg

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 5, 2011 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Simon, seconded by Chairman Rogers and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the August 5, 2011 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) O2011-0047: An Ordinance prohibiting the use of pesticides on Cuyahoga County parks, open space parcels and public rights of way and regulating the use of pesticides by entities receiving County funds, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

Mr. Chris Ronayne, President of University Circle Inc. and Ms. Laura Kleinman, Director of Shared Services for University Circle Inc. addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0047. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Geri Unger, Director of Education for the Cleveland Botanical Garden addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0047. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Laurel Hopwood, Northeast Ohio Sierra Club addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0047. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Jason Smith, Beyond Pesticides Ohio addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0047. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Dan Norris, Good Nature Organic Lawn Care addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0047. Discussion ensued.

Chairman Rogers postponed Ordinance No. O2011-0047 from further consideration at this time.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- a) Presentation on the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District – Janine Rybka, District Administrator

Ms. Janine Rybka, District Administrator for the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District addressed the Committee regarding the nature and functions of the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District. Discussion ensued.

7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Mr. Germana with a second by Ms. Simon, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m., without objection.