Johnson County Food Policy Council Meeting Notes

Monday, December 16, 2019

Johnson County Administration Building, 1st Floor Betty Sass Conference Room 913 S. Dubuque Street, Iowa City, IA 52240 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Attending Appointed Members:, Eric Christianson, Giselle Bruskewitz, Jill Irvin, Kristy Walker, Michelle Kenyon, Molly Schintler, Shawn Meaney, Kesha Fields, Craig Syrop

Attending Ex-Officio Members: Ilsa DeWald, Pat Heiden, Erik Gustafson, V Fixmer-Oraiz

- 1. Call to order (6:00 PM)
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Motion to approve November 2019 minutes will be differed to the January Meeting
- 4. General Updates and Discussion from Pat Heiden, Board of Supervisors, and Ilsa DeWald, Local Foods Coordinator (6:05 PM)
 - Pat clarified the approved changes to the Unified Development Ordinance and explained why the public hearing was not continued to the most recent Board of Supervisors meeting.
 - b. Ilsa gave an update from Food Policy Council Association Call. She shared a list of priority issues and allowed members to informally give their top three priorities on the list. She will compile the votes.
- 5. Review Draft of Ag-Exemption Application (6:10 PM)
 - a. There were questions about some of the requirements for construction of non-residential dwellings on parcels under 40 acres. Members of the council also found some of the language confusing.
- 6. Discuss 2020 Public Forum, updates from Forum Committee (6:20 PM)
 - a. Location will be at the Johnson County Kirkwood Regional Center.
 - b. Scattergood is a promising potential source of childcare.
 - c. Thursday February 20, 2019. 5:30-8:30
 - d. V Fixmer-Oraiz gave an update about speakers and panel members who have confirmed.
- 7. Report out from Working Groups (6:30 PM)
- 8. Breakout into Food Justice, Local Food System Infrastructure, Local Food Marketing & Education, and Soil, Water & Air Health Working Groups (6:35 PM)
 - a. Review goals and target outcomes by January and May, 2020
 - b. Determine and assign items to accomplish before next meeting
- 9. Report Back Working Group Summary, Action Items, and Requests for Council Participation or Action (7:00 PM)
- 10. Snack Sign-up for Next Meeting Location (7:15 PM)
- 11. Shawn Meaney moved to adjourn Molly Schintler seconded and it passed unanimously at 7:21pm.