

**CITY OF MENASHA
SUSTAINABILITY BOARD
Common Council Chambers
140 Main Street, Menasha
Tuesday, June 19, 2012
DRAFT MINUTES**

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

Present: Linda Stoll, Chris Boehne, Kathy Thunes, Roger Kanitz

Excused: Paul Van de Sand, Ed Kassel

Also Present: PP Homan, Danielle Handler

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE SUSTAINABILITY BOARD

No one spoke.

D. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. May 15, 2012

No comments were received on the minutes. Chairperson Stoll requested the minutes be placed on file as printed. The board was in consensus with this request.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

1. iTree Press Release

PP Homan explained that WDNR may do an iTree assessment for Menasha in the near future, similar to the one that was conducted for DePere. The board requested that PP Homan inquire with the City Forester to acquire the tree assessment report that was done several years ago.

2. Sustainable Communities update

Ms.Thunes indicated that she would forward the summary of proceedings from the last meeting.

F. REPORTS

1. ECOS video clip projects (Roger Kanitz)

Mr. Kanitz reported the next video clip to be created will focus on stormwater. The first video clip was aired after the Town of Menasha Sustainability Board meeting.

G. ACTION ITEMS

1. City of Menasha recycling event, October 2012

Mr. Kanitz indicated that he is coordinating with Recycle that Stuff to plan a second recycling event. He wants to ensure there is coordination on dates and publications with the Town of Menasha to make sure both events are open to city and town residents.

H. DISCUSSION

1. Waste Management (including recycling) – Kathy Thunes

Ms. Thunes indicated that she had met with DPW Radtke and the recycling coordinator from Winnebago County Solid Waste. The conversation centered around ways to increase recycling rates and the upcoming changes in tipping fees. The committee directed Ms. Thunes to request additional recycling data from DPW Radtke.

2. Complete Streets - Linda Stoll

Ms. Homan reviewed a complete streets assessment conducted by the Mike Hopfensperger, the CDD intern. Two maps were created, one illustrating bikeability, the other walkability. The board suggested several changes to make the maps more readable and useful. This included mapping out intersections where bike and pedestrian accidents have occurred.

3. Potential partnership with Town of Menasha – yard waste collection - Roger Kanitz
Mr. Kanitz indicated he had been in discussions with the Town of Menasha to explore shared yard waste processing. Currently, all of their yard waste goes straight to the dump, while the city converts theirs into compost.

I. ADJOURNMENT

It was the consensus of the board to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by PP Homan.