

**CITY OF MENASHA  
SUSTAINABILITY BOARD  
Third Floor Council Chambers  
140 Main Street, Menasha  
Tuesday, September 16, 2008  
MINUTES**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Stoll at 6:35 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

PRESENT:Linda Stoll, Mike Dillon, Roger Kanitz, Becky Bauer

EXCUSED: Trevor Frank

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Merkes, Community Development Director Greg Keil

C. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. Sustainability Board, 7/22/08

Motion made by Roger Kanitz, seconded by Linda Stoll to approve minutes.

Motion carried

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Paul Konetzke, Menasha resident, correspondence pertaining to sustainability topics

Linda Stoll is to contact Donna Van Buchen and Paul Konetzke about placing noxious weed ordinance on next agenda.

2. Menasha Utilities Resolution implementing utility-wide energy management policy

The board discussed exploration of including a city wide energy management policy into the baseline study.

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

(five (5) minute time limit for each person)

No one spoke

F. DISCUSSION

1. Goals and Priorities

The board identified the following as priority work activities for the next 12 months:

Establish parameters for baseline study of the pool. Survey pool users/non users/schools/senior centers. Identification of options for pool facilities, operation and maintenance.

Develop demonstration projects tied to sustainability-industry/residential stormwater management, low maintenance turf areas.

Develop sustainability policy

Develop walking and bike audit

Develop a marketing strategy to promote the acceptance of sustainability initiatives

2. Baseline Study-Approach and Timetable

Utilize pool as prototype for baseline assessment. Suggested completion timetable of 12/15/08.

Budgeting- incorporation of Sustainability Criteria in Capital Facilities planning.

3. Status report on farmer's market

Mayor Merkes reported that there has been about six vendors regularly participating in the farmer's market. It has been well received in the community and the number of customers is growing.

4. Sustainability Board participation in Menasha Utilities Fair  
Roger Kanitz has been working with Chris Voightlander on ECOS and Sustainability Board participation in the Menasha Utilities Energy Fair, which is to be held on Thursday, Oct. 2. Greg Keil is to prepare displays relating to the function of the Sustainability Board and on-site storm water management.

5. Update on Natural Step study circles – Roger Kanitz

Roger Kanitz reported that ECOS will have a display at the Menasha Utilities Energy Fair. Efforts are underway to consolidate study circles within area communities.

6. Creation of an ordinance permitting neighborhood electric vehicles

NEV ordinance – Greg Keil is to distribute Appleton ordinance

7. Lt Governor's Climate Change conference – Menasha Team

An implementation summit is to be held Friday, Dec. 12, 2008 in Stevens Point. Communities are to put together a team to participate in this event. Information at [www.wiclimatechange.summit.com](http://www.wiclimatechange.summit.com).

8. Set next meeting date

October 14, 2008 at 6:30 PM

#### G. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

1. Roger Kanitz to report on:

- a. A citizen input session is being developed by East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission and Valley Transit at the Menasha Library will be held in October  
Oshkosh session at MPU on Valley Transit
- b. Greg Keil is to pass along information to the Park & Rec Dept. on the ozone option to replace pool chlorine use
- c. A contact for a potential phosphate free lawn plot test was found:  
Dan Dieck – lawn maintenance  
Promotion of phosphorous reduction – NEWSOC
- d. Up-date on the LED street lights. John Ahles of Neenah Sustainability Board has gathered information on LED street lights-

#### H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Linda Stoll, seconded by Mike Dillon to adjourn at 8:38 PM.  
Motion carried.