

**CITY OF MENASHA
SUSTAINABILITY BOARD
Common Council Chambers
140 Main Street, Menasha**

Tuesday, October 15, 2013

Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Linda Stoll at 6:05 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

Present: Danielle Handler, Linda Stoll, Roger Kanitz, Kathy Thunes

Also Present: Mayor Merkes, Jade Thomson, Andy Walsh

Excused: Ed Kassel, Paul Van de Sand

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

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

No one spoke

D. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. Sustainability Board minutes, 5/21/2013

Motion made by Kathy Thunes and seconded Danielle Handler by to approve the minutes of the September 17th 2013 Meeting. Motion carried.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

- Rodger and Kathy attended sustainable communities conference
- Neenah has removed milkweed from its list of noxious weeds in its ordinance
- Earth Week planning has started

F. REPORTS

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. City of Menasha Energy Usage

The City is continuing to work towards a 1% annual reduction in electricity usage

2. Waste Management

The Board continues to support increased frequency of recyclable materials pickup, recognizing the balance between increased equipment and fuel usage and diversion of refuse from the landfill must be achieved.

3. Electronics Recycling Event

The event was the most successful that the City/Utility has supported with 225 people and 15,365lbs of electronics being diverted from the landfill. The Board suggested that we begin researching battery and fiber recycling for the next event.

4. Livable Communities

- Noted City of Appleton Neighborhood Planning project
- ECWRPC is emphasizing neighborhood level planning within their future efforts.
- Linda will be working with ECWRPC to complete walkability base maps

5. Menasha Farm Fresh Market

- Final Farm Market of the season scheduled for October 24th including the Hometown Halloween trick or treat.
- Farm to table event successful, would like to repeat for 2014, the event raised \$1000 for the market. Coffee should be part of the menu for desert.

6. River-Gen Project

No report

7. Sustainability Board Web Page

No report

8. Sustainability Board Annual Report & Priorities

No Report

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Kathy Thunes and seconded Roger Kanitz by to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by DJM