

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

Tuesday, December 16, 2014

Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Linda Stoll at 1:15 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

Present: Roger Kanitz, Linda Stoll, Kathy Thunes

Also Present: Donald Merkes

Excused: Ed Kassel

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, 4/15/2014

Motion made by Roger Kanitz and seconded by Linda Stoll to approve the minutes of the November 18th 2014 meeting adding the times and persons attending the webinar at ECWRPC

Motion carried.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

F. REPORTS

None

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. City of Menasha Energy Usage

The City of Menasha is exploring replacing the majority its current HPS street lights with LED lighting. The City has applied for a Focus on Energy incentive to offset some of the cost, it is uncertain if the request will be approved. If the 800+ fixtures were to be replaced there would be a savings of over \$75,000 annually in energy and fixed charges to the City. The return on investment would be 5 years or less depending on the cost of installation and availability of Focus on Energy incentive. A refund from WE Energies would be used for seed money to replace a portion of the fixtures.

The Sustainability Board endorses the project.

2. Waste Management

Discussion on increasing education regarding recycling, and if a flyer would be appropriate for hand out at City events. Confusion exists regarding type of container required for extra recycling as well as if a sticker is required, when is the drop off site open and where is it.

3. Spring Electronics Recycling Event date set for April 25th, 2015. There should be additional volunteers to unload at future events, flyer in utility mailings should emphasize collection of reusable goods through St. Vincent de Paul more clearly, information on clean sweep should be provided.

4. Livable Communities

There is a potential regional grant for healthy communities activities that RETHINK is applying for with potential collaboration with Weight of the Fox Valley. Menasha may be able to partner with if the grant is awarded.

The City Health Department has grant funding to promote healthy activities in the City this summer. They plan to partner with the Farm Fresh Market and Park and Rec.

5. Menasha Farm Fresh Market
No Report

6. River-Gen Project
No report

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Kathy Thunes and seconded by Linda Stoll to adjourn at 2:15 p.m.

Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by DJM