

It is expected that a Quorum of the Personnel Committee, Board of Public Works, Plan Commission and Administration Committee will be attending this meeting: (although it is not expected that any official action of any of those bodies will be taken)

**CITY OF MENASHA
SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
Menasha City Center
100 Main Street
Room 132
December 22, 2022
4:00 PM**

AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES
- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
(five (5) minute time limit for each person)
- D. COMMUNICATIONS
 - 1. Minutes of the November 17, 2022 Sustainability Board Meeting
- E. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - 1. Energy
 - a. MJSD planning for sustainability
 - b. Comprehensive Energy Planning & Joint Energy Team
 - 2. Planning & Communications
 - a. SCN and Website <http://scn-foxvalley.com/>
 - b. Earth Day/Arbor Day Celebration
 - 3. Transportation
 - a. High Cliff Connection
 - b. Bike Parking Survey
 - c. Bird Scooter Menasha 2022 report
 - d. Amtrak Letter of Interest Northeast WI
 - 4. Land Use
 - 5. Natural Resources
 - a. Natural Landscaping & Maintenance
 - b. No Mow May
 - 6. Energy
 - a. Comprehensive Energy Planning & Joint Energy Team
 - 7. Water
 - a. Stormwater educational signage
 - 8. Waste
 - a. 2023 Electronics Recycling Events May 6, 2023 and October 7, 2023
 - 9. Health
 - a. Farm Fresh Market
- F. Future Meeting Date
 - 1. January 26, 2023
- G. ADJOURNMENT

**CITY OF MENASHA
SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
November 17, 2022
Minutes**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to order at 4:04 PM

B. ROLL CALL

Attending: Kyle Coenen, Austin Hammond, Roger Kanitz, Lindsay Klumpp, Kathy Thunes,
Also Attending: Mayor Donald Merkes

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

No one spoke

D. COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Merkes noted that the Ad Hoc Sustainability Board had been replaced by the Sustainability Committee as a standing committee as part of Ordinance O-9-22. Being that this is a new committee they would not approve the former Board's minutes. The minutes are included for their information.

E. ACTION ITEMS

1. Election of Chairperson

Motion by Kathy Thunes, second Kyle Coenen to nominate Ald. Hammond. Motion Carries

At this point Ald. Hammond led the meeting as chairperson

2. Election of Vice Chairperson

Motion by Kathy Thunes, second Lindsay Klumpp to nominate Kyle Coenen as Vice Chairperson. Motion Carries

F. DISCUSSION

1. Planning & Communications

a. SCN & Website <http://scn-foxvalley.com>

SCN was a group of municipal sustainability committees, it had met quarterly up until the pandemic when meetings were suspended. Since that time there have been numerous staff and committee changes in area communities. Roger and Kathy will make contact to see if there is interest to refresh SCN and its website.

b. Wisconsin Clean Energy Plan

Roger reviewed the plan providing highlights of areas that may apply to City of Menasha efforts. Areas of the Wisconsin plan could be incorporated into a future City plan or the comprehensive energy plan being discussed jointly with MJSD, City, Utilities.

2. Transportation

a. High Cliff Connection

Community Foundation plans to hire a consultant to work on planning and funding. There are several opportunities for State/Federal funding coming up in early 2023.

b. Bike Parking Survey

There is likely interest to work on the project through Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Menasha High.

3. Land Use

No report

4. Natural Resources

a. Natural Landscaping and Maintenance

ECWRPC rain garden has been maintained, some plants deadheaded to reduce self seeding of aggressive plants. Waiting for more information on natural landscaping grant application. Discussion on seeing if Wild Ones would do an on site assessment of rain gardens and natural planting areas to improve aesthesis and future maintenance.

b. No Mow May

No report

5. Energy

a. Comprehensive Energy Planning and Joint Energy Team

Team consisting of representatives of the City, MJSD, and MU met to discuss applying for OEI grant. MJSD will be adding EV chargers at City Center and Menasha High. City could look to add them at other locations if they work well. Request for MJSD to come to a future meeting to share their sustainability efforts.

6. Water

a. Stormwater Educational Signage

Signs are in process. Plan for Earth Day 2023 installation.

7. Waste

a. Tipping Fee increase

Tipping fees for refuse have increased \$4 ton from \$45 to \$49. The City budgets for 6,300 tons per year increasing costs \$25,000 annually. Recycling tipping fees remain at \$5 ton. The City budgets for 1,500 tons annually.

b. 2023 Electronics Recycling Events May 6, 2023 & October 7, 2023

Email messages should go out earlier, we should verify when the best time to send them out is for each company including Recycle that Stuff. We can schedule the email as soon as we get the poster announcements for one or several dates. Is there a parent newsletter that we could add to for MJSD. Discuss option for St. Vincent. Could signs be made by PWF for entry?

8. Health

Discussion regarding continuation of a farm market. There is an interested party that would like to consider managing a market that has experience at other markets. We should invite him to future meeting. Lindsay also has contacts with farm market vendors.

G. Future Meeting Dates

Next meeting December 22, 2022

Continue with 4th Thursday except for holidays.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kyle Coenen second by Lindsay Klumpp to adjourn at 5:55 PM

Motion carries.



Hey, Menasha!

Here's a glance at 2022 with Bird:



5/23/2022

Birds landed



1,366

Number of Users



1.54

Metric tonnes of CO2 saved



5,523

Total rides

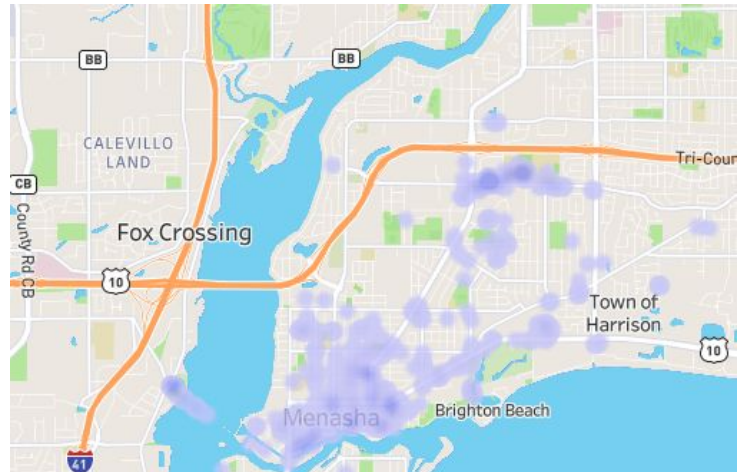


10,907

Total miles traveled

1

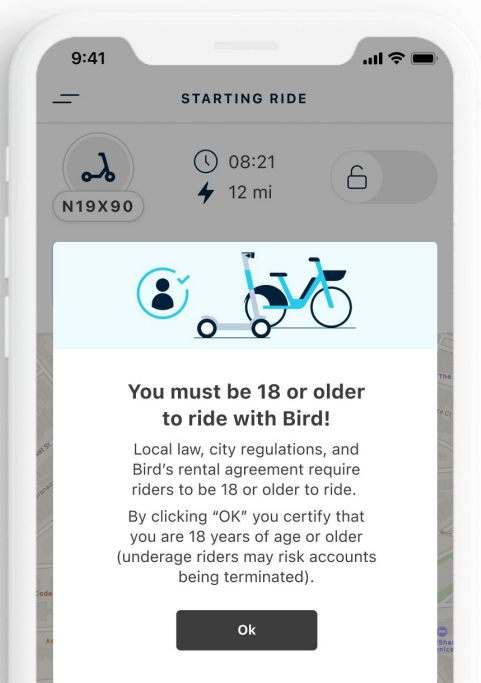
We helped people get all around Menasha, check out this rider map!



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We also reminded Menasha riders to

- Stay off the sidewalks when riding
- Take scooters to and from local events
- Wear a helmet
- Join our Community Pricing Program
- Park properly, off sidewalks & ADA ramps



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A Bird's eye view of 2022



Globally, we:

- Published an independent **Lifecycle Vehicle Analysis**, confirming the Bird Three has a lifespan of up to 5 years
- Released **Bird VPS**, the world's first scalable, hyper-accurate visual parking system - **powered by Google API**
- Continued the **Roll to the Polls** initiatives, encouraging people to vote with free rides to and from voting locations
- Worked with partners, 3Degrees and Ecocart to **offset our greenhouse gas emissions** from 2021
- Replaced **~2.3 million car trips** = the amount of CO2 sequestered by more than 300K elm trees
- Kicked off an **on-demand accessible mobility program** with Scootaround in select cities
- Launched **Community Ride Grant** programs in more cities around the world
- **Gave gas the Bird** in the U.S., by offering discounted rides, e-bike rebates, and more



December 9, 2022

Peter Schwartz
Chief Project Engineering and Planning Division
Federal Railroad Administration

RE:
Federal Railroad Administration Docket No. FRA-2022-0031
Corridor Identification and Development Program
Green Bay – Milwaukee – Chicago

We, the undersigned municipal leaders, write to jointly express our interest in incorporating Green Bay and the greater Fox Valley region in the FRA's Corridor Identification and Development Program. This extension would build on Amtrak's highly successful Hiawatha Line from Chicago to Milwaukee.

The Fox Valley is the third largest metropolitan area in Wisconsin. Currently these communities are serviced by Amtrak Thruway I-41 Bus Service. This new passenger rail corridor would provide residents of Green Bay and the greater Fox Valley region with increased mobility options to the state's largest city, as well as service to Chicago.

A Green Bay — Milwaukee — Chicago Amtrak service would create new connections between major metropolitan cities, medium-sized cities, and colleges and universities. Students, their families, faculty, and staff will be able to take advantage of frequent Amtrak service to avoid traffic between destinations and to enjoy greater productivity or relaxation while they travel.

All seven cities along this corridor that would be served by the Hiawatha Extension strongly advocate for incorporating the project in the Corridor Identification and Development program. We strongly believe that this corridor satisfies the Selection Criteria outlined in the Federal Register Notice.

Sincerely,

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Jacob Woodford
Mayor of Appleton, WI

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Joseph Moore
City Manager of Fond du Lac, WI

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Eric Genrich
Mayor of Green Bay, WI

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Anthony Penterman
Mayor of Kaukauna, WI

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Donald Merkes
Mayor of Menasha, WI

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Jane Lang
Mayor of Neenah, WI

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Lori Palmeri
Mayor of Oshkosh, WI



2023 Sustainability Committee Meeting Schedule

THURSDAYS 4:00 PM Sustainability Board
January 26
February 23
March 23
April 27
May 25
June 22
July 27
August 24
September 28
October 19
November 16
December 28

****Highlighted dates are special dates due to holiday conflicts.****

Chairperson

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