SUSTAINABLE LA CROSSE COMMISSION
Thursday, June 27, 2013
City Hall, 3rd Floor Conference Room,
400 La Crosse St.
4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Bagniewski, Sharon Hampson, Marilyn Pedretti, Rob Tyser, Diane Wulf, Sara Sullivan
MEMBERS EXCUSED:
MEMBERS ABSENT: Jai Johnson, Wayne Olson
OTHERS PRESENT: Nick Nichols, Amy Peterson, Dorothy Lenard, Brennan Pralle, Erica Black, Barbara Strom

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
   Chair Pedretti called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
   • Pedretti welcomed Jai Johnson as the newest commission member.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2013
   • MOTION by Hampson/Wulf to approve the minutes of April 25, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

4. BOARD VACANCY
   • MOTION by Sullivan/Tyser to appoint Dorothy Lenard to the Commissions currently vacant position. Motion carried unanimously.

5. STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATIONAL UPDATES
   • Peterson updated the commission on the potential of the City switching to electric hand dryers throughout City facilities.
   • Peterson stated she anticipates the WI Smart Fleet contract being introduced to Council in July or August.
   • Peterson updated the commission on the Dumpster Diversion program that took place during student move out.
   • Peterson stated that she presented at the WI APA conference on the climate change work that the commission has supported.
   • Nichols updated the commission on meeting number three of the Vibrant Community Food Systems.

6. MEETING WITH MAYOR KABAT
   • Pedretti updated the commission on the recent meeting with the Mayor regarding sustainability efforts. The Mayor is very supportive of the commission’s efforts. Pedretti discussed a celebration of the five year plan to take place in spring showing what the Commission has achieved.
7. LEGACY COMMUNITY MEETING
   • Peterson updated the commission on the recent Legacy Community meeting hosted by the City of La Crosse. A number of communities and state agency representatives were in attendance to hear about La Crosse’s effort in sustainability. Gundersen and the La Crosse County Landfill both presented and gave tours of their facilities.

8. FUTURE VISIONING
   • Pedretti asked the group what the next steps are for the Commission. She would like the group to study the current plan and come to the next meeting with modification suggestions. The plan is a “living document” and needs to be dynamic.
   • Discussion evolved into potentially bringing in a sustainability facilitator to help move the group forward.
   • Brennan Pralle told the commission about himself and offered to facilitate the planning process and help the group update the plan.
   • Terry Gipps was also discussed with maybe a ½ day workshop and then report and recommendations.

9. COMMISSION LETTERHEAD
   • Tyser will have students work on this in the fall.

10. NEWS ARTICLES
    • Discussion took place on how to facilitate the processing of articles for the Tribune.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
    • Styrofoam

17. Next Meeting: July 25, 2013

18. MOTION to adjourn by Sullivan/Bagniewski. Motion carried unanimously. Chair Pedretti adjourned the meeting at 4:48 PM.

Approved