

**MINUTES  
SUSTAINABLE SHEBOYGAN TASK FORCE**

**Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 5:00 P.M.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room, City Hall, Sheboygan, Wisconsin**

Present: Jeanne Kliejunas, Aaron Brault, Tom Holtan, Dirk Zylman, Sara Thiel, John Hill, David Biebel, Scott Hansen, Ed Surek, Jeffrey Goins, Ted Vallis, Jennifer Lehrke, Thomas Grittinger, Heather Cleveland, Amy Peterson, Laura Gumm

Excused: Vickie Hall, Paulette Enders, John Hill

Ald. Jeanne Kliejunas presided. The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of November 18, 2009 minutes**

Aaron Brault moved, Tom Holtan seconded to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2009 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

**Introduction of members and observers**

All Task Force members were asked to review and make any necessary changes to the email list. There were no observers to the meeting.

**Review of Sheboygan Green Team Resolution**

The Sheboygan Green Team resolution as prepared by Jeanne Kliejunas was reviewed by the Task Force, and was discussed in depth. Tom Holtan moved, Scott Hanson seconded to approve the amended resolution for submittal to the Common Council for the February 15 meeting.

**Task Force Website**

Sara Thiel discussed the new website for the Sustainable Sheboygan Task Force, which will be located on the City's website platform. Links to "green" resource web pages are needed for the site. Task Force members were urged to submit any potential links by the end of next week. Sara will put in the request that the website go "live" prior to the February meeting with the new links added.

**Review of Focus Group Membership:**

- **Energy:** Ted Vallis, Laura Goetz-Gumm, John Hill, Dave Biebel, Jennifer Lehrke
- **Water and Natural Resources:** Scott Hansen, Tom Grittinger, Vickie Hall, Ed Surek, Heather Cleveland
- **Transportation and Planning:** Aaron Brault, Dirk Zylman, Paulette Enders, Tom Holtan
- **Education and Promotion:** Amy Peterson, Jeff Goins, Jeanne Kliejunas, Sara Thiel

## **Focus Group Meeting Updates**

- **Energy:**
  - David Biebel will make a list of potential items that can impact energy usage throughout the City for discussion for future resolutions/improvement recommendations.
  - The focus group is looking into a website that allows the City to upload energy usage to track and monitor usage, resolution compliance, and savings.
- **Water and Natural Resources:**
  - Brainstorming on water conservation. Rain gardens and rain barrels, etc.
  - Conservation management of mowed areas.
  - Potential to utilize Chamber Business Insights column.
  - Promotion of water sense products (i.e. drinking fountains with side spigots for refilling of bottles)
- **Transportation and Planning:**
  - Discussion of June 2009 list. Please see attached.
- **Education and Promotion:**
  - Utilization of website to provide useful information and links. Also list events/activities.
  - Jeanne to research utilizing the Beacon publication to educate community about SSTF and resolutions passed.
  - Sara to research possibility of utilizing Sheboygan Press Community Conversations column to update community on events/topics of interest
  - Look for volunteers from the Task Force for Maywood's February local food event.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at 5:00 pm at City Hall.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Thiel

## TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE NOTES

(Aaron Brault, Dirk Zylman, Paulette Enders)

### Transportation

- Different model vehicles (police cars, etc.)
- Smaller sized pickups/SUVs
- Bike fleet for city departments
- Encourage employees to bike/walk to work
- Incentives to “not” use parking provided/increase cost/\$\$ or other incentives to not use
- First come first serve parking
- More automated metering of parking stalls
- New development “maximum” versus “minimum” parking requirements
- Bike racks required at new developments
- No parking on one side of street to allow for bike paths
- Complete streets
- Skinny streets – street diets
- Guaranteed ride home project

### Planning

- Redevelop unused parking
- Look at cost effectiveness of a fleet versus using own car
- Infill redevelopment ordinances
- Brownfield redevelopment
- Percent of parking impervious/LEED requirements
- Bio swale project(s)

### Low hanging fruit

- Parking
- Complete streets