

**SHEBOYGAN COMMON COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 30, 2012 MEETING

PRESENT: Chairperson Bohren, Alderpersons Belanger, Carlson, Donohue, Hammond, Heidemann, Kath, Lessard, Van Akkeren, and Versey

EXCUSED: Alderpersons Lewandoske and Vander Weele

ABSENT: Alderpersons Dekker, Matichek, Roeseler and Wangemann

1. Chairperson Bohren called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call.
3. Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Motion by Ald. Hammond, second by Ald. Carlson to approve the minutes of 7/31/12. All Ayes – Motion Carried.**
5. Public Forum – No Speakers.
6. Chairman's comments - No comments. Chairman Bohren turned the floor over to Ald. Versey to introduce the representatives from Arch Electric – Chris Merklein, General Manager and Ed Zinthefer, President.
7. COUNCIL DOCUMENT #3.13 from OCTOBER 1, 2012.
R.O. No. 161.12-13 by CITY CLERK.

Submitting a communication from the Sustainable Sheboygan Task Force, Jeanne Kliejunas Secretary, requesting that the Common Council call a Committee of the Whole meeting to receive a presentation from Arch Electric on a proposed solar energy project for city buildings.

Arch Electric is proposing to install solar equipment on city buildings to save energy costs. This solar project addresses the state's goal of getting at least 18% of our energy from renewable sources by 2018. The cost is estimated at \$1.5 million and could be paid for through a finance partner of Arch Electric. The estimated payments would be around \$42,662 while the electrical savings would be about \$47,202, netting the city \$4,740. Another option would be to purchase the equipment through the capital improvement budget. Before Arch Electric can submit a formal contract, a thorough survey of all 17 city buildings would need to be conducted at a cost of \$5,000 to the city. **Motion by Ald. Versey, second by Ald. Carlson to forward to Finance Committee for consideration with recommendation to approve \$5,000 to proceed with survey by Arch Electric. All Ayes – Motion Carried.**

NEXT MEETING DATE: TBD

ADJOURN. **Motion by Ald. Hammond, second by Ald. Carlson to adjourn at 5:52 p.m.**