MINUTES
SUSTAINABLE SHEBOYGAN TASK FORCE
Thursday May 10, 2012 at 12:00 PM

City Hall, 828 Center Avenue, Sheboygan Wisconsin
Third Floor Conference Room

Present: Laura Gumm, Kevin Matichek, Scott Hanson, Kevin Struck, John Hill, Jeanne Kliejunas, Aaron Brault, Greg Ryan, Ted Vallis, and Julie Kath
Excused: Tom Holtan, Amy Peterson, Jennifer Lehrke, Pete Pittner, David Kuckuk, Mark Pawasarat

Secretary Jeanne Kliejunas called the meeting to order at 12:05 P.M. (quorum present) and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The March 8, 2012 minutes were approved.

Chairperson selection: Julie Kath was unanimously approved as Chairperson.

Discussion of past Resolution forming the Force – Purpose and history of Task Force were discussed for benefit of new members and present status of committee was reviewed. Jeanne volunteered to assemble all documents related to past Task Force activity. Everyone saw the need to keep the Common Council informed about Task Force activities through reports and resolutions. Members wanted to know how it could help the city more directly in terms of planning and development and wanted to talk with the mayor and department heads. Both Julie Kath and Kevin Matichek explained their interest in the Task Force. Alderperson Kath will try to have the mayor attend the next meeting.

Meeting time and date: The group affirmed every other 2nd Thursday at noon as meeting time and date.

City's Energy Baseline Resolution – Due to Scott Versey's long absence from the Council, the Energy Baseline Resolution has not been presented. A discussion on this matter was tabled until Scott can report to the Task Force.

Oshkosh Green Forum – No one was able to accept the invitation to speak at the forum on May 12, 2012.

FOCUS GROUP REPORTS:

Energy (Ted Vallis, Laura Gumm, Jennifer Lehrke, Mark Pawasarat,and Kevin Matichek) – no report
Water & Natural Resources (Scott Hanson, Vickie Hall, and Pete Pittner) – Scott Hanson commented on Kohler's environment and conservation efforts in preparation for the LPGA tournament at Blackwolf Run this July. The committee would like more information about the Suchardt farm and Indiana Ave. planning.
Transportation & Planning (Aaron Brault, Tom Holtan, and David Kuckuk) – Aaron Brault distributed a draft of proposed maximum parking ordinance for the City. The draft lists current minimum parking requirements for Sheboygan, proposed maximum requirements for Sheboygan and Madison's maximum requirements. The Task Force is asked to review this draft and have comments/suggestions ready for next meeting.
Aaron will also email the draft to all Task Force members.
Education & Promotion (Greg Ryan, Amy Petersen, John Hill and Jeanne Kliejunas) – The committee could not get the recycling survey in the SASD schools this spring, but hopes it will be incorporated into the fall curriculum. After several contacts with the Sheboygan Press, the committee has not been able to list the recycling survey question, discussed at March's meeting, through the Press's weekly opinion feature. The committee plans to meet with Press personnel to establish better communication and cooperation.

Next meeting – July 12, 2012 noon.

The meeting adjourned at 1:12 PM

Respectfully submitted
,Jeanne Kliejunas, Secretary