

MINUTES
SUSTAINABLE SHEBOYGAN TASK FORCE

Thursday September 8, 2011 at 12:00 PM

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

Present: Dave Biebel, Jeanne Kliejunas, Amy Peterson, Emily Vetting for Aaron Brault, Scott Hanson, Greg Ryan, Scott Versey, and Ted Vallis, Jennifer Lehrke, and John Hill

Excused: Jeff Goins, Tom Holtan, Eric Rindfleisch, Chad Pelischek, Vickie Hall, Laura Gumm,

Chairperson Scott Versey called the meeting to order at 12:05 P.M. (quorum present) and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. June 9, 2011 minutes were approved.

1. Review of City 20-year Comprehensive Plan postponed to November 10, 2011 meeting due to Chad Pelischek's absence.

2.Meeting Time and Date: After some discussion the meeting time and date will continue to be the second Thursday of every other month at 12:00 noon at City Hall, 3rd fl. Conference Room. Because the Task Force's membership is so large, it is difficult to find the best time for everyone. This time conflicts with UW Sheboygan faculty meetings so it was suggested that a member from UW Extension might be a good replacement.

4. Focus Groups:

Energy (Ted Vallis, Laura Gumm, Jennifer Lehrke, Dave Biebel, Scott Versey & John Hill) – No Report
Water & Natural Resources (Scott Hanson, Vickie Hall, Pete Pittner & Heather Cleveland) reported on the stenciling of storm water sewers that occurred this summer on two storm water systems on Sheboygan's northside. This was organized by Heather Cleveland and Eagle Scout Brendan Schneider of Kohler. The project was explained with picture and story in the Press.

Transportation & Planning (Aaron Brault, Tom Holtan, David Kuckuk) – No Report

Education & Promotion (Greg Ryan, Amy Petersen, & Jeanne Kliejunas) reported on the expectation that the Task Force would work on baseline measurements at this meeting, and that a meeting had been held earlier by the committee to develop a working session procedure for this meeting. The procedures were never passed on.

5. Establish Baselines – The Task Force discussed how to establish a baseline for a goal/direction for each Focus Group. 2008 was suggested as the starting point, or baseline, with each group gathering the data it needed to establish where the City was in 2008 in terms of that goal. Once the data was gathered the groups would each understand, evaluate and establish a clear goal/direction for their work. The goal would include indicators and set an achievable target.

Frustration was expressed about the Task Force's lack of achievement in the past year. Focus Groups don't always meet between bimonthly meetings thus progress is impeded.

6. Conclusions for moving forward:

- *Each focus group must have a report for the November 10, 2011 meeting.*
- *Greg Ryan will resend the Santa Monica Plan outline to each member to help with goal setting.*
- *We want to do quarterly reports to the Common Council on our Task Force work.*
- *We will revisit the "Green Resolution" sent to the City 2 years ago to determine progress and future recommendations.*

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Kliejunas, Secretary