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Village of Cross Plains Sustainability Committee

Regular Meeting Notice and Agenda

January 11, 2023
6:00 pm

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Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 9, 2022
6:00 pm

This meeting was conducted virtually.

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Agenda Review

The meeting of the Sustainability Committee was called to order at 6:13 pm.

Present: Melissa Gavin, John Burandt, Steve Douglas, Andy Hartman

Also Present – Village Administrator Brian Mooney, Village Trustee Michael Pomykalski

II. Public Comment – None

III. General Business

1. Committee Member Report Outs and Updates

Mrs. Gavin shared a request from Village President Lengfeld for the Village Sustainability Committee to assist in researching private well contamination information in and around Cross Plains and Dane County. Mr. Mooney stated this topic was brought forward from the Village's recent Plan Commission Meeting, and is one topic in a larger scale review of the Village's current Water Utility System and the impact of making changes to allow for different future developments within the Village limits. Mr. Mooney stated the Plan Commission is targeting an end of first quarter 2023 goal for a report on research findings, to ultimately be presented to the Village Board.

Mr. Burandt stated he attended the recent Black Earth Creek Watershed Association Meeting at the Wisconsin Heights High School. Mr. Burandt mentioned the event was well attended by many local organizations, and a presentation was given on the health of the Black Earth Creek. Mr. Burandt asked the attending organizations about flooding reduction participation within the Creek, and inquired about assistance in preventing future flooding events through routine Creek maintenance. Ongoing communication and efforts to partner with landowners to better maintain Creek properties will be focus areas moving forward.

2. Discussion and Possible Approval of the October 12, 2022 Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Andy Hartman, seconded by Steve Douglas, and unanimously carried by the Sustainability Committee, to approve the October 12, 2022 minutes.

3. Guest Speaker Mark Lydon, MG&E

Mrs. Gavin introduced Mr. Lydon and thanked him for joining the Committee in talking about new and upcoming green energy initiatives offered by MG&E. Mr. Lydon spoke to some of the ambitious goals of decarbonization within MG&E in the coming years, and spoke to some of the current clean energy partnerships established by other local Madison-metro municipalities and MG&E. Upon completion of the presentation, it was recommended the Village look to first complete a review of its current utility use and determine areas for increased efficiency or established partnerships for offered green-energy programs with MG&E to improve non-carbon-based energy use.

4. Discussion of research needs for new Village Hall/Police Building

Mrs. Gavin reintroduced the ongoing Sustainability Committee topic of the new Village Hall/Police Station for discussion. Mr. Burandt covered some of the recent updates he received in his discussions with a local Madison architect regarding LEED certification and associated costs. Mr. Burandt reviewed how some of the LEED certifications are handled, recommendations on green energy investment cost-benefit analysis, and the vision for how the Village intends to proceed with the building recommendation. Mrs. Gavin recommended the committee look for a compromise approach that encourages pursuing the LEED certification goals and adherence to the Sustainability Committee's intent, while not increasing costs. Mrs. Gavin stated she will put together a proposal recommendation to Village President Lengfeld to build to LEED-compliance, but delay LEED certification pending available Village finances.

5. Discussion of Sustainability Plan implementation

1. Mr. Douglas mentioned his efforts in the initiative to increase awareness of the Village's Medication drop-off program. Local pharmacies were contacted and the Village added an awareness posting to the Village website and Social Media publicizing the program and a recent National Medication Take-Back Day.
2. Mrs. Gavin and Mr. Hartman stated progress is being made on the Sustainability checklist, and the document will be shared with the Committee soon for comments.
3. Mr. Hartman stated he was reviewing a number of other local municipal ordinances related to green energy for development of a new Village-Ordinance/policy. The document will be shared with the Committee in a future meeting for additional discussion and approval.
4. Mrs. Gavin stated Mr. Thusius recently created a document that references many Focus on Energy policies and programs for Village Residents. Mrs. Gavin will provide Mr. Mooney with the final version of the document for use on the Village Sustainability website.

6. Wrap Up, Next Steps and Future Meetings

Mrs. Gavin shared a few updates related to other local Municipal programs promoting Sustainability initiatives, as well as an update related to building requirements related to Energy Star certified products within State Building codes. Mr. Burandt volunteered to look into how the City of Monona administers their program in order to provide the Committee with a future update/recommendation.

Next Meeting Wednesday December 14th.

IV. **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Andy Hartman, seconded by John Burandt, and unanimously carried by the Sustainability Committee, to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 pm.

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