



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Sustainable La Crosse Commission

Thursday, April 21, 2016

5:00 PM

5th Floor Conference Room

Call to Order, Roll Call

Giese **CALLED TO ORDER** this Meeting at 5:02pm

Present: 6 - Jai Johnson, Mike Giese, Martin Gaul, Harvey Bertrand, Tom Thompson, Rob Tyser

Excused: 2 - Dave Niemi, Dorothy Lenard

Absent: 1 - Keyla Jones-Rosa

- 1 [16-0370](#) Approval of February 18th, 2016 Minutes

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

Gaul made a motion, Johnson seconded, that these Minutes be **APPROVED**.
The motion carried by voice vote.

- 2 **Public Comment**

Agenda Items:

- 3 **Staff Reports & Informational Update**

Nichols attended Waste or Resource Management (WoRM) conference in Oconomowoc with interns. He is working on dealing with oversized waste with Xcel Energy to prevent burning problems at the plant. George Howe, director of Mysteries of the Driftless, attended Green Drinks. Nichols will host an 2014 Indicators Report working meeting on Tuesday, April 27th at noon. Landfill will host North American Squirrel Association (NASA) and DNR for handicap hunt. Nichols led many tours of the landfill and presentations at Enviro Wednesday at Myrick Park, ORA summit, and Earth Fair at Myrick Park. Xcel will get their two millionth ton of refused-derived fuel soon. The landfill recieved a Vision Award from the Gateway Area Council of the Boy Scouts. The Sustainability Institue is hosting a webinar on May 10th at noon. Giese shared that the 2014 Indicator Report will be on the agenda for La Crosse's Common Council planning meeting June 7th.

- 4 [16-0366](#) Approval of County Participation in the Green Tier Legacy Community Program

Attachments: [Resolution](#)

Nichols requested that the resolution include mention that the Landfill is part of the Green Tier program. Johnson expressed concern about duplication and overlap,

specifically with the benchmark reporting; she suggested adding a phrase that highlights components already in place and demonstrates close coordination. Resolution will go to Planning, Resources, and Development Committee and then on to the County Board in June.

Johnson made a motion, Tyser seconded, that this Resolution be APPROVED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by voice vote.

5 Presentation on How Utility Data can be Used to Calculate a Carbon Footprint - Anders Olson, Sustainability Analytics LLC.

Next Meeting Date/Agenda Items

Next meeting will be Thursday, June 16th at 5:00pm with agenda items to include Solar Garden and potential membership changes at the County level.

Adjournment

Bertrand made a motion, Johnson seconded, that this Meeting be ADJOURNED. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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