

## City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall 400 La Crosse Street La Crosse, WI 54601

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Sustainable La Crosse Commission**

Thursday, November 17, 2016

4:30 PM

**3rd Floor Conference Room** 

### **Special Meeting**

### Call to Order, Roll Call

Giese CALLED TO ORDER the Meeting at 4:34 PM.

Present: 7 - Jai Johnson, Mike Giese, Harvey Bertrand, Tom Thompson, Dorothy

Lenard, Rob Tyser, Rick Cornforth

Absent: 1 - Martin Gaul

**1** 16-1119 Approval of October 20, 2016 Minutes

Attachments: Hyperlink

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

2 Public Comment

### **Agenda Items:**

3 Staff Reports and Informational Updates

La Crosse County accepted the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program. The Green Tier Legacy Committees quarterly meeting will be held in the La Crosse City Hall on December 5, 2016.

4 Discussion of and possible action on City of La Crosse and County of La Crosse web sites

A resident raised concerns about the Sustainable La Crosse website - some links did not work, most of the information posted is several years out of date, and meeting agendas and minutes are difficult to find. The individual volunteered to help update the website. SLC members are encouraged to visit the web site prior to our December meeting.

5 Update on filling citizen committee member vacancy (business representative)

Two individuals have expressed interest in filling the vacant seat, which is reserved for a representative from the business community. Discussion included a possible

lack of consistency between City and County policies regarding SLC member term limits (number of consecutive terms that can be served) and the possibility of expanding the Commission to include one or more "auxiliary members" who have special sustainability interests and could sit with the SLC, but would not have voting privileges.

Tyser made a motion, Cornforth seconded, that the Chairperson propose modifications to Commission Rules of Procedures so that proposed modifications may be considered at the next meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

# 6 Proposed work group for deciding how to prepare the 2017 indicator report - Nichols and Tyser

Nichols and Tyser will bring a proposal to the Commission to propose (1) a scope of work specifying indicator report products, deadlines, required skills, estimated hours; and (2) a mechanism for identifying and contracting with an individual or company that would complete the indicator report.

### 7 Work group breakout planning session

The commissioners split into two work groups and selected leaders: Giese for transportation and Cornforth for solid waste management. Commissioners will finalize details and potential speakers for each topic in December. The Commission set meeting dates and times to encourage public attendance: Wednesdays, January 18 and February 15th from 5-6:30 PM. 20-30 minutes for presentations followed by discussion.

### **Next Meeting Date/Agenda Items**

The next meeting will be December 15, 2016 at 4:30. Agenda items may include authorization of Sustainability Indicator Report process, details of the January and February topical meetings, and modification of the Commission's Rules of Procedures.

### Adjournment

Johnson made a Motion, Bertrand seconded, that this Meeting be ADJOURNED at 5:42 PM. The motion carried by 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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