



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Sustainable La Crosse Commission

Thursday, April 20, 2017

4:30 PM

5th Floor Conference Room

Call to Order, Roll Call

Gaul made a motion, Lenard seconded, that this Proposal be APPROVED. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Present: 5 - Harvey Bertrand, Tom Thompson, Dorothy Lenard, Rob Tyser, Rick Cornforth

Excused: 1 - Rick Diermeier

Absent: 1 - Mike Giese

- 1 [17-0458](#) Approval of March 16, 2017 Minutes

Attachments: [Hyperlink](#)

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

Agenda Items:

- 2 **Staff reports & updates, including commission vacancy & indicator report**

Bee Week from April 22nd-30th; Earth Fair on April 30th.

- 3 [17-0459](#) Discussion & action on proposals for indicator report

Attachments: [Analysis and Report Proposals](#)

- 4 **2018-2028 Funding for the Household Hazardous Materials program**

Koch and Nedrelo presented on HHM funding; shared 2016 Annual Report (<https://lacrossecounty.org/solidwaste/docs/HHM-2016-Report.pdf>). Also shared Household Hazardous Material Funding Shortfall (on pages 16-24 of the April 10th meeting agenda of the La Crosse County Public Works & Infrastructure Committee agenda). Nedrelo gave examples from other communities - Milwaukee (wastewater district), Brown County (fewer users after fee increase), and Dane (added fees and expanded hours). Cornforth and Gaul spoke in favor.

Public comments: Al Schultz had proposed \$2/capita charge on HHM Committee; current price is not enough. Program expansion has benefited public; funding needs to go beyond keeping up, but expand educational and advocacy efforts. Schultz also advocated for investment in alternative energy to reduce energy costs. Matt Harter

talked about businesses paying fees, property taxes, and incentivizing them to participate in program.

Gaul made a motion, Lenard seconded, to endorse proposed option for funding Household Hazardous Materials program. The motion carried by a voice vote.

5 Discussion of County construction and demolition recycling ordinance

Corporation Counsel said County does not have the authority to do what the Mayor requests. Alternatives 1) Create a model ordinance for Cities and towns to adopt; 2) Solid Waste Dept. doesn't want to band certain waste. County could do flow control ordinance if directed to direct municipal waste to a resource recovery facility. Harter offered to do resource recovery.

6 Discussion and action on next steps for alternative transportation

- 7** [17-0479](#) Request City & County Executives sign LCAH Collaboration Agreement

Attachments: [Collaboration Agreement](#)

8 Next Meeting Date/Agenda Items

Agenda items may include alternative transportation, LCAH Collaboration Agreement, construction and demolition ordinance, and progress on meeting between County and processors.

Adjournment

**Gaul made a motion, Thompson seconded, that this Meeting be ADJOURNED.
The motion carried by 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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