

# CITY OF MANITOWOC SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 25, 2013, 4:00 PM  
MEETING MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Tony Fodden, Sherrie Richards, Jon Reisenbuechler, Adam Becker

**ABSENT:** Kathleen McDaniel, Ben Nolan, Erik Hoyer, Dennis Larsen

## 1. Membership

- a. Current membership is 7: Tony Fodden, Sherrie Richards, Jon Reisenbuechler, Kathleen McDaniel, Ben Nolan, Erik Hoyer, and Dennis Larsen.
- b. Adam Becker from MPU has joined the Committee pending appointment from the Mayor's office. Tony will contact the Mayor for approval.
- c. It was agreed that the Committee needs between 1 and 3 new members. Earlier this year the Committee moved to amend the Bylaws to increase members from 9 to 11. Tony will contact Kathleen to see whether that was ever approved by the City Attorney's office.
- d. Several names were brought up for possible participation on the Committee: Jessica at Woodland Dunes (Tony will contact); the couple that manages Collins Marsh (Jon will contact); Staush Gruszynski with League of Conservation Voters (Tony will contact); James Kettler with Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership, Inc (Tony will contact); Cath Pope with Healthiest Manitowoc (Sherrie will contact).
- e. It was also decided that contact should be made with the following concerns: the local High Schools to see if there are interested students; UW Sea Grant program; and the Maritime Museum.

## 2. Election of Officers

- a. The Committee is overdue in its election of Officers. Tony will email all members that an election shall be held in January 2014 and that all nominations be submitted prior to the meeting in December 2013 for consideration at that meeting.

## 3. Review of By-Laws

- a. Tony said that he would email each member of the Committee a copy of the Committee's Constitution, which includes Vision, Mission Statement, and Bylaws.

## 4. Earth Day 2014

- a. Tony has submitted the application to reserve the JFK Gymnasium for Earth Day 2014 to Kathleen for her review. He will contact Kathleen to see where this stands.
- b. Tony will ask Erik Hoyer whether Silver Lake College would consider allowing Earth Day to be held there if for whatever reason the JFK Gymnasium is not available.
- c. Tony will contact Andy Evenson to get feedback on the following things from last year's event: the student-operated food vending; the students that participated with crafts tables; and the students that ran the art event for younger children.
- d. Tony will email the participation matrix from last year's event to committee members.

## 5. Meeting Schedules

- a. It was agreed that a Doodle Poll was still the best way to schedule our monthly meetings.

## 6. New Business

- a. Tony suggested that we begin to compile a list of possible presenters either for Earth Day 2014 or for a symposium to be held at a later date.
- b. Tony suggested that we work on an article to be submitted to the Herald Times Reporter. Tony suggested starting back with the basics – "What is the Sustainability Committee?" Tony will prepare a draft.
- c. The possibility of setting up a Committee budget and account was discussed. Tony will ask Kathleen to look into this.

## 7. Adjourn