

**CITY OF WINTER PARK
KEEP WINTER PARK BEAUTIFUL AND SUSTAINABLE ADVISORY BOARD**

Regular Meeting
City Hall
401 S. Park Ave.
Winter Park, FL

September 11, 2014

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Michael Poole, (Chair) Mark Roush, Carol Shank, Bruce Thomas, Fred Kosiewski, Cathy Blanton, Steven DiClemente, Pat Schoknecht, Raymond Randall, Stephen Pategas and Mary Dipboye

Members Absent: Chele Hipp, Julie Tensfeldt, John Tapp, Laura Walda

Guests: Jonathan Schaefer, FL PACE, Lisa Ames, FL PACE

City of Winter Park Staff: Kris Stenger, Asst. Director, Building, Permitting & Sustainability Abby Gulden, Sustainability Coordinator.

CALL TO ORDER: Acting Chair Dipboye called the September 11, 2014, meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. Administrative Items

Approval of Minutes: Acting Chair Dipboye asked for approval of the minutes from the August 14, 2014, regular meeting. Ms. Schoknecht moved to approve as presented, seconded by Mark Roush. Motion carried unanimously (9-0)

Chair's Report –

Mr. Poole commented that he welcomed opportunities to talk in the community about the Plan. He is excited about the feedback received about the plan and feels that the more the word gets out the better.

Staff Report

Mr. Stenger reported that two workshops were held to review the SAP. He reviewed the suggested changes to the plan that were discussed at the workshops.

He commented that they are working on the Georgetown Energy Prize and that a new intern is assisting with various projects. Discussions are ongoing with the Electric Utility to establish percentages of reduction. Staff responded to questions. Ms. Schoknecht moved that the modifications to the SAP from the workshops be incorporated, seconded by Mr. Roush, motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gulden reported she developed a Frequently Asked Questions to help with understanding the SAP. She and Mr. Stenger are speaking to various groups about the SAP. The Board discussed the value of a FAQ and how they can provide input.

Mark Poole and Stephen Pategas (6:00 pm)

2. Action

3. Informational

Green Minute – Mark Poole

Mr. Poole remarked that he is currently focused on reducing electricity costs and is looking at ways to reduce consumption in his house. He reviewed the lighting in his house and determined which lights are left on the most. While he is not planning to make the switch to LEDs for every light at one time, he is slowing replacing the lights that are used the most. At this time he has replaced the kitchen, garage and outside lighting.

Ms. Gulden announced that she will be attending the next “Heart of Winter Park, Time to Talk” to explain the value of the SAP and its benefit to the City.

Earth Day

Ms. Gulden reported that the first Earth Day planning session was held with Lawanda Jones. The committee consists of Michael Poole, Bruce Thomas, Pat Schoknecht and Abby Gulden and Kris Stenger. The first meeting included introductions, vision of the event, list of potential sponsors and budget. Ms. Gulden responded to questions.

Florida PACE

Mr. Stenger introduced the representatives from Florida PACE, (Property Assessed Clean Energy) Mr. Schaefer and Ms. Ames who presented a video and overview of PACE structure and implementation. They responded to questions.

OC Ext Workshop.

Ms. Gulden was pleased to announce that the September 20, Seasonal Foods workshop is sold out. The Board discussed reasons attendance has increased. Ms. Gulden updated the Board of the strategy for 2015 workshops, capitalizing on the workshops with the highest attendance including those dealing with food, growing vegetables and gardening. She is in discussion with the Service about taking these topics and doing quarterly in depth classes.

4. New Business

Mr. Pategas complimented Ms. Gulden and Mr. Stenger on their support of the Boar, handling of sustainability issues and moving forward with the SAP.

Ms. Gulden requested a review of the support letters for the SAP that she distributed and requested any additional contacts. She clarified that it was fine if a Board member wants to send out the letter, she will provide a template support letter and the most current copy of the SAP.

Mr. Stenger requested input on the PACE presentation. He explained the importance of moving forward including the value of offering a funding source for improvements. Discussion ensued. Ms. Gulden observed that a Green Business Certification is in discussion and PACE would be an asset in promoting that project.

Chm Poole commented that he had been contacted by Kim Allen regarding starting an urban garden at the old tree farm. The citizen does not know how to move forward and is looking for input. If a board member is interested in working on this project please contact Ms. Gulden.

5. Adjourn

What worked:

- efficiency of the meeting
- educational component, will look at including in each meeting.

What Didn't work:

Upcoming Meetings

October 9, 2014 @ 5:45 -- regular meeting

Adjourn The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Approved 10/9/14