

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

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

October 9, 2014

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Stephen Pategas (Vice Chair), Steven DiClemente, Bruce Thomas, Cathy Blanton, Julie Tensfeldt, Mary Dipboye, Pat Schoknecht, and Raymond Randall

Members Absent: Chele Hipp, John Tapp, Laura Walda, Michael Poole, (Chair) Mark Roush, Carol Shank, Fred Kosiewski

Guests: Clayton Ferrara, Executive Director, Ideas for Us

City of Winter Park Staff: Abby Gulden, Sustainability Coordinator.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Pategas called the October 9, 2014, meeting to order at 5:50 p.m. No quorum at this time.

1. Administrative Items

Approval of Minutes: Vice Chair Mr. Pategas asked for approval of the minutes from the September 11, 2014, regular meeting. Minutes approved unanimously (8-0)

Chair's Report –

No report.

Staff Report

Ms. Gulden reported that the Staff Report was provided with the agenda and minutes. Ms. Gulden reported that she is making nice progress on the Green Business Recognition Program. The orientation meeting with Leadership Winter Park was held and the participants are excited about working on the program.

She reminded the Board about the volunteer opportunity on October 18, 8-11 am, the Lake Maitland Watershed Clean Up. Ms. Gulden presented the new volunteer t-shirt. She announced that KWPB&S signed up for the Great American Clean Up through Keep America Beautiful. Clean up events are scheduled at Mead Gardens November 1 with a December date to be determined. The holiday light globe workshop is scheduled for November 1 as well. Discussion ensued on where to sign up for events and possible other clean up events.

Raymond Randall (6:00 pm)

2. Action

3. Informational

Green Minute – Bruce Thomas

Mr. Thomas reported on the annual solar power tour presented by the American Solar Energy Society, which allows interested people to visit homes that are using solar power. The Board discussed the possibility of co-sponsoring the event next year.

Sustainability Action Plan

Status Report and Discussion, October 27, Commission Meeting

Ms. Gulden reported that she gave a presentation at “Heart of Winter Park, Time to Talk,” which generated a lot of phone calls and a letter of support for the SAP. Mary Dipboye and Raymond Randall also attended the meeting. The Board congratulated Ms. Gulden on the presentation.

Ms. Gulden provided a list of the current letters of support received. Ms. Gulden responded to questions. (Pat Schoknecht arrived 6:15, quorum achieved)

Earth Day

Ms. Gulden reported that the Earth Day subcommittee planning session with Lawanda Jones will be held on Friday, Oct 10. They will be reviewing the sponsorship packet and new logo design. Ms. Jones is already working with media to promote the event. Ms. Gulden responded to questions.

Fleet Farming - Clayton Ferrara

Mr. Ferrara provided an overview of Fleet Farming. He explained that Fleet Farming is a community driven low- carbon, distributed urban farming model using less than .25 acre home gardens, bike powered transportation for maintenance and harvest of produce which then sells produce at local farmers markets, food trucks and local restaurants. He responded to questions. Discussion ensued. Mr. Ferrara invited the Board to attend the public meeting of Ideas for Us. It is held on the first Wednesday of each month, 6:45 on the 2nd floor of East End Market.

OC Ext Workshop.

Ms. Gulden reported that even though the September 20, Seasonal Foods workshop sold out, only 6 people attended because of the weather. Ms. Gulden stated that the OC Ext Service is on board for another year of workshops. However, she explained a possible change in the scheduling, going from monthly sessions to 12 overall sessions but breaking them up into quarterly focuses with 3 week in a row in depth classes.

4. New Business

America in Bloom

Mr. Pategas reported that the City did not win any awards this year. They did get a plaque and 4 blooms which is a good score. Our top category was overall impression; our weakest category was floral display. The Board discussed ways

to improve for next year. The Board complimented Mr. Pategas on his efforts for the City with America in Bloom.

PACE Update

Ms. Gulden reported that **Florida PACE** made a presentation to City Management. The attorneys have reviewed the agreement but the current hold up is some concern over the fact that Orange County has not signed an agreement yet. Staff is continuing to research the program.

5. Adjourn

What worked:

- Educational component, continue including in each meeting.

What Didn't work:

Upcoming Meetings

November 13, 2014 @ 5:45 -- regular meeting

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

Approved November 13, 2014 – Debbie Wilkerson