

The CITY OF WINTER PARK
KEEP WINTER PARK BEAUTIFUL AND SUSTAINABLE MINUTES

Regular Meeting
City Hall
401 Park Ave. S.

March 12, 2015

Present: Bruce Thomas, Cathy Blanton, Steve DiClemente, Raymond Randall, Stephen Pategas, Julie Tensfeldt, Michael Poole, Mark Roush

Absent: Fred Kosiewski, Mary Dipboye, Chele Hipp

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

Guests

David Bottomley – Metro Plan, Pedestrian/Bicycle Committee
Richard Castle – WastePro
Pat Schoknecht – Rollins College

CALL TO ORDER. Vice Chairman Pategas called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Approval of Minutes

Vice Chm. Pategas asked for approval of the minutes for February 12, 2015. Ms. Tensfeldt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. DiClemente seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously with a vote of 6-0.

Citizen Comments

No Comments

Chair's Report

Ms. Gulden reported that the Board currently has 5 vacancies (4 reg., 1 alt.) and we would like to actively seek out potential board members and encourage them submit applications. The areas of expertise we are looking for are marketing, food, transportation and fundraising. The Board agreed to add Rollins College as an identified area.

Staff Report: Staff report was emailed to board members. A question about the Earth Day fundraising will be answered during that report.

Action:

No action items.

Green Minute:

Mr. DiClemente reported that he has cans at his house with organic matter, leaves and such. The landscapers across the street used them to dispose of trash from their lunch. His wife made them take their trash out of the cans and take it with them. Recycle cans need to be very identifiable to prevent this from happening.

Mr. Castle shared that some lawn maintenance company had dumped all their debris in the dumpster at the Wells Fargo Bank at the corner of 17-92 and Fairbanks covering the dumpster.

Ms. Tensfeldt reported that her family has started a hydroponic garden in the backyard.

Mr. DiClemente updated the Board on the Bike to Work Day. The event took place on March 12, 2015, 108 riders attended the 4 mile bike ride with activities concluding at Boca, a sponsoring restaurant.

Subcommittee Reports

KWPB:

Ms. Gulden reported that the Lk. Virginia Watershed Clean-Up has 32 people registered and the Great American Trash Off has 60+. Buck slips will go out in the utility bills publicizing the events.

Winter Park Blooms:

Mr. Pategas reported that Ms. Schoknecht is talking to the Alford Inn about donating rooms May 7-8 or 10-11 for the judging.

Sustainability Action Plan (SAP).

Ms. Tensfeldt reiterated that the committee has pulled the 2015 items from the SAP work and identified three categories of work effort under each of them. A meeting is scheduled for March 16 to add details to each category, once complete it will be presented to the Board. They are working with staff to determine a project management tool to track projects. They are also going to work on developing a marketing plan. Ms. Schoknecht offered a possible resource, she will get additional information.

Ms. Tensfeldt reported that she received 5 Green School Grants, one is ineligible due to its location. Ms. Tensfeldt moved to approve grants to All Saints, Dommerick, Lakemont and Winter Park High School in the amounts requested. Seconded by Ms. Blanton, motion carried 6-0. Ms. Tensfeldt suggested that grant criteria be reviewed before the next round of grants.

Finance: The Committee has not met, but Peter Moore, City Budget Manager, has been contacted to attend the Finance Committee meeting to review reports with the committee so members have a better understanding of KWPB&S finances.

Earth Day 2015:

Ms. Gulden updated the Board on Earth Day plans, activities, and presented the Earth Day poster. Ms. Gulden responded to questions. Ms. Gulden explained that they would start recruiting volunteers as soon as the schedule is finalized. Flyers are being developed for posting on social media. Ms. Gulden reviewed Earth Day finances and will provide a more detailed report closer to the event.

Michael Poole arrived 6:20 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Ave.

Mr. Stenger announced that Park Ave is going to be getting a refresh including rebuild planters, and replacing trash/recycling containers. He presented examples of the trash/recycling containers and requested input from the Board. Discussion ensued.

When asked about the discrepancy between City of Winter Park website and Waste Pro website recycling information, Mr. Castle responded that he will confirm the correct information and report back.

Agenda Requests &/or Announcements

Ms. Gulden announced that an election was held on March 10 and the City has a new Mayor and Commissioner. Ms. Gulden reported on a conversation she had with Mayor Steve Leary regarding the Sustainability Action Plan. Chm Poole also reported on a conversation about sustainability he had with new commissioner Greg Seidel.

Chm. Poole reported on Cady Way Bike Path information shared at the March Pedestrian/Bicycle Advisory Board.

Chm. Poole encouraged board members to communicate with City Commission regarding issues the Board is looking out, since now is when the City creates its budget for next year.

Evaluate Meeting

- What worked: It was an efficient meeting.
- What didn't work: none

ADJOURNMENT

Chm. Poole adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Next meeting is April 9, 2015, 5:45 a.m., City Hall

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Wilkerson