

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

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

November 13, 2014

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Michael Poole, (Chair), Mark Roush Carol Shank Steven DiClemente, , Cathy Blanton, Julie Tensfeldt, Mary Dipboye, Pat Schoknecht, Chele Hipp, Fred Kosiewski

Members Absent: Bruce Thomas, Raymond Randall, John Tapp, Stephen Pategas (Vice Chair), and Laura Walda

Guests:

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

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Michael Poole called the November 13, 2014, meeting to order at 5:49 p.m.

1. Administrative Items

Approval of Minutes: Chair Poole asked for approval of the minutes from the October 9, 2014, regular meeting. Ms. Schoknecht moved to approve the minutes as presented, Mr. DiClemente seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously. (10-0)

Chair's Report –

Chair Poole complemented staff on the job they are doing. He also reminded the Board that on November 24, 2014, at 3:30 pm, the Sustainability Action Plan will be presented to the City Commission for their review. If the Commission does not have any issues with the plan it will be brought back at the December 8, 2014, meeting for a vote to adopt.

Staff Report

Ms. Gulden reported that the Staff Report was provided by email and asked for questions. Ms. Gulden responded to questions regarding the sustainability video series, the status of the Winter Park Electric Conservation Program transition, the Globes of Light event, which she commented was well attended. Ms. Gulden also reported that the Lake Maitland Watershed Clean Up was a big success and plans and funding are being discussed for next year. Mr. Stenger reported that he and Ms. Gulden attended the Southeast Sustainability Director Network Conference hosted in Orlando as well as the Florida Sustainability Director Network meeting which was held after the conference ended. He reviewed the states' that sent representatives. He commented it was enlightening to learn what other states, cities and counties are dealing with.

Ms. Gulden mentioned that the program plan for Georgetown University Energy Prize was submitted and we should hear in a few weeks if Winter Park makes it to

the semi-finals. She is confident that the City will make it. Copies of the Georgetown submittal will be emailed to the Board.

2. Action

3. Informational

Green Minute – Chele Hipp

Ms. Hipp reported she had visited the University of Florida where they label all their trash cans “landfill”. She thought this was a good idea because it makes you pause and think that you are not just disposing of trash in a random trash can but actually adding to a landfill. She recommended that city trash cans be labeled the same way.

Ms. Schoknecht announced that Michelle (Mitch) Hedlund, founder of Recycle America is coming to Rollins College. They are working on a project to get a nationwide standard for recycling signs, including using “landfill” for trash cans. Ms. Hedlund will be speaking at a public meeting on November 20, 2014, at the Bush Auditorium.

Sustainability Action Plan

Discussed previously. See above.

Earth Day

Ms. Gulden reported that the Earth Day subcommittee is working on getting sponsorships. Ms. Jones, Event Coordinator, has lined up some sponsors but she is still waiting on checks. The subcommittee will walk Central Park tomorrow to determine the event layout. Ms. Gulden responded to questions. Mr. Poole requested additional information regarding sponsors and layout. Ms. Gulden will include the information in the staff report.

OC Ext Workshop.

Ms. Gulden reported that the October “Getting Your Landscape Ready for Winter Workshop” was not well attended. The next workshop is on irrigation. Ms. Gulden stated that the OC Ext Service is on board for another year of workshops. She explained some of the changes in the workshop format including a possible 6 week course, “Dirt to Dinner.”

4. New Business

Ms. Dipboye suggested that the Board look a revenue streams in the new year. The Board discussed funding.

Mr. Stenger commented that after two years of effort the Sustainability Action Plan (SAP) is almost approved and at this time the Board will have the opportunity to look at its involvement in the implementation process. Chm. Poole commented

that he considers the three main focuses of the Board are Keep Winter Park Beautiful and Sustainable, Earth Day, and the implementation of the SAP. The Board agreed to discuss the future of the Board at the December meeting

5. Adjourn

What worked:

- Length of the meeting.

What Didn't work:

Upcoming Meetings

December 11, 2014 @ 5:45 -- regular meeting

Adjourn The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.