

**THE CITY OF WINTER PARK
KEEP WINTER PARK BEAUTIFUL AND SUSTAINABLE**

Regular Meeting
City Hall, 401 Park Ave. S.

July 18, 2017
11:45am

MINUTES

Present: Mary Dipboye, Ben Ellis, Nora Miller, Ellen Wolfson

Absent: Natalie Hellman, Sally Miller, Stephen Patagas, Bruce Thomas

City of Winter Park Staff: Kris Stenger, Building and Sustainability Manager; Vanessa Balta Cook, Building & Sustainability Planner; John Nico, Sustainability & Permitting Assistant; Agnieszka Tarnawska, Sustainability & Permitting Assistant

Guests: Jody Lazar, Pat Schoknecht, Julie Bortles

CALL TO ORDER: Ch. Ellis called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Approval of Minutes

Ellen W. made a motion to approve June 20, 2017 minutes. Mary D. seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as presented.

Citizen Comments:

None.

Staff Report:

Staff report was emailed to board members. Kris S. addressed Mary D.'s question regarding any potential local impact of the changes to FSEC review requirement of solar arrays. FSEC will continue to do reviews, as well as third-party engineers, in compliance with state requirements. More detailed information should come out of the SolSmart Workshop being planned for the end of August. Kris S. discussed the change in cost of recycling with WasteManagement, going from \$0/ton to \$42/ton, and preliminary discussions with the City of Orlando and other Florida cities (e.g., City of Port St. Lucie profiting from recycling with their county facility). Kris S. will look into Port St. Lucie case further. Staff suggested City release some positive press on recycling issue, Kris S. will follow-up with Communications. Ben E. asked for update on Georgetown, Kris S. noted the initial momentum was lost. Mary D. and Ben E. asked for an update on the Central Florida Battle of the Buildings. Staff provided updates on engagement of community members (houses of worship, Rollins College, and businesses) via email and by phone. Board members are asked to contact staff if they have contacts at local churches.

Kris S. also mentioned that at the end of August the Orlando Utilities Commission board will be deciding the rate structure for the community solar program. More updates should be available at our September meeting, possibly a speaker opportunity. Solar at Water Treatment Facility will be discussed at Monday's budget meeting.

Mary D. asked for an update on WastePro tracking system data, WastePro still working on technical issues, Kris S. continues to follow-up.

Mary D. asked if EnergyStar Portfolio Manager data might be posted somewhere on our website. Staff working on updating building profiles.

Pat S. asked for the Earth Day Event date, will be April 15, 2018, and that the same event organizer used last year be contacted again for next year's event.

John N. mentioned next Don't Pitch It, Fix It will be Saturday, November 11th from 1pm to 5pm.

Kris S. mentioned that the next Household Hazardous Waste Event will likely be April 21st or 28th.

Pat S. asked how many composters were handed out during Earth Day event. Staff reported about 25 and more being sent via word of mouth (Next Door).

2. ACTION

None

3. INFORMATIONAL

a. Green Minute

Mary D.-Shared her experience at a local restaurant where the only beverage container was made of Styrofoam. A green/sustainable recognition restaurant program that would help cut down on Styrofoam products, plastic straws, and plastic lids, and encourage "left-over"-less portion sizes was discussed. Staff will continue exploring this type of program.

Kris S.-Mentioned that several coastal cities have introduced different bans (e.g., Styrofoam, plastic bags), potential for keeping our lakes clean.

Pat S.-Discussed Rollins previous research and challenges with reusable containers return system.

b. KWPB – Status Report KWPB&S

None

c. Sustainability Action Plan

a. Reviewing SAP and assigning roles

Ben E. discussed the board updating a previous priority list and assigning roles to each. Vanessa B.C. will send to board members, along with Sustainability Team's existing calendar of priorities which board members can choose to champion (can be more than one champion per priority).

Board to review over the next month.

b. Renewables Commitment

To be discussed at next meeting.

d. Finance

Kris S. reviewed KWPB&S budget expenses. Staff will work on creating budget to be review by board after priorities have been discussed.

e. Orange County Fertilizer Ordinance

Orange County Environmental Protection Division representative Julie Bortles reviewed the Orange County Fertilizer Ordinance Updates effective June 20, 2017. City of Winter Park can adopt a similar ordinance to reinforce county ordinance or more stringent ordinance if desired. Education and outreach campaign in planning stages. Information will be shared with Lakes and Parks & Recreation board staff contacts.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Agenda Requests/Announcements/Action Items:** Next board meeting will spend most of time reviewing priorities. Board requests an update on Organix. Board also requested if staff could reach out to Port St. Lucie to present on their recycling program via phone, if possible, at next meeting.

5. ADJOURNMENT

a. Action Items

b. Evaluate Meeting

- What worked:
- What didn't work:

Mary D. made a motion to adjourn at 12:59 p.m., seconded by Nora M. Next meeting August 15, 11:45am at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa A. Balta Cook
Recording Secretary