

## AGENDA

### **SUSTAINABLE NEENAH COMMITTEE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 5:30 P.M.**

**Due to the Public Health Emergency caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will occur at a virtual location accessed by computer or conference call. Committee members and the public should use the following web link/call-in information:**

**Web Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/124376509>**

**Conference Telephone Number: +1 (646) 749-3122**

**Access Code: 124-376-509**

**City Hall Hauser Room**– For members of the public that are unable to access this meeting via web or conference call, the Hauser Room will be open in a limited capacity for those wishing to attend the meeting. Please note that social distancing measures will be in place to protect meeting participants.

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Public Appearances. (Ten minutes divided among those wishing to speak on topics pertinent to the Sustainable Neenah Committee.)
- 3) Approve minutes of October 28, 2019, January 27, 2020, February 24, 2020, and August 24, 2020 meetings.
- 4) Discussion of future education/information projects.
- 5) Discussion of potential solar energy projects.
- 6) Approval of expenditures.
- 7) Announcements and future agenda items.

*“Our mission is to identify and foster economically feasible energy conservation and efficiency measures; to promote recycling, waste reduction, and use of renewable resources; to increase public awareness and access to new and existing sustainability programs and services; and to be conscientious stewards of our city.”*

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**Minutes of the Sustainable Neenah Committee**  
**Monday, October 28, 2019**  
**5:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Committee Co-Chair Carol Kasimor and Committee members Theo Haaks, Amy Kester, Kent Powley, Josh Preissner, and Dave Rause.

**Approval of minutes:**

MSC Rause, Preissner, the minutes of the September 23, 2019 meeting were approved as distributed.

**Presentation by Renew Wisconsin:**

Jane McCurry, Program Manager for Electric Vehicles (EVs), was present to discuss these vehicles and local governments. Renew Wisconsin is a nonprofit organization dedicated to building a stronger, healthier, more vibrant Wisconsin through the advancement of renewable energy. The organization works on policies and programs that support solar power, wind power, biogas, local hydropower, geothermal energy, and electric vehicles.

Of Wisconsin's energy consumption, 25% is used for transportation. In addition, \$8.4 billion is spent on oil and gas from outside of Wisconsin every year. However, renewable energy is increasing in the state and costs are decreasing. Jane reviewed the types of electric vehicles, the cost of ownership, and the charging process. The role of local governments in promoting and benefitting from electric vehicles was discussed, including cities purchasing EVs for bus and government fleets, installing charging stations and making parking lot infrastructure EV ready.

**Discussion of 2019 education/information and future projects:**

Farm market presentations this year included the topics of solar energy, Valley Transit, and stormwater.

**Update on potential solar energy projects:**

A list of possible solar sites on City-owned property was distributed for future discussion.

**Adjournment:** MSC Preissner, Haaks, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner

**Minutes of the Sustainable Neenah Committee**  
**Monday, January 27, 2020**  
**5:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Committee Co-Chair Carol Kasimor and Committee members Theo Haaks, Amy Kester, Dustin Kraft, and Josh Preissner.

**Update on potential solar energy projects:**

Sites continue to be identified while solar incentives for 2020 are being reviewed. Municipal buildings as well as private new construction and existing private commercial and nonprofit buildings were discussed as site possibilities.

**Discussion of 2019 education/information and future projects:**

Potential educational presentations for the Neenah Farm Market were discussed.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner

**Minutes of the Sustainable Neenah Committee**  
**Monday, February 24, 2020**  
**5:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Committee Co-Chairs Carol Kasimor and Chris Kunz and Committee members Kent Powley and Dave Rause.

**Update on Arrowhead Park plans:**

Committee members discussed upcoming development at Arrowhead Park. Shoreline aquatic restoration and park drive activities are expected initially. A draft of the park brochure was reviewed. Committee members are encouraged to forward ideas for the development of the park.

**Update on potential solar energy projects:**

Solar incentives for 2020 continue to be reviewed.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carol Kasimor".

Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner

**Minutes of the Sustainable Neenah Committee**  
**Monday, August 24, 2020**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
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**Present:** Committee Co-Chair Carol Kasimor and Committee members Kent Powley and Dave Rause. **Also Present:** Dennis Kittel.

A quorum was not present; no action was taken.

**Public Appearances:**

Dennis Kittel introduced himself and explained his personal and professional interests in sustainability.

**Education and Information projects:**

Because of changes at the Neenah Farm Market due to COVID-19, sponsorship by the Committee was not possible in 2020. Committee members discussed other ways of providing information to residents.

**Update on potential solar energy projects:**

Committee members discussed potential solar energy projects at municipal sites, including the library and Water Utility locations.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner