AGENDA SUSTAINABLE NEENAH COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025 5:30 P.M.

Hauser Committee Room and Microsoft Teams 211 Walnut Street, Neenah City Administration Building

This meeting will occur in-person and at a virtual location accessed by computer or conference call. Committee members and the public who wish to participate via Microsoft Teams should use the following call-in information:

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- 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 the February 26, and the April 23, 2025 meetings.
- 4) Discuss City of Neenah recycling program.
- 5) Discuss sustainability plan update.
- 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 Wednesday, March 26, 2025 5:30 P.M.

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<u>Present:</u> Committee Co-Chair Carol Kasimor and Committee members Becky Heidke-Kwiatkowski and Kristen Sandvick. **ALSO PRESENT:** Flo Bruno and Frank Cuthbert, Neenah.

A quorum was not present, no action was taken.

<u>Public Appearances:</u> Flo Bruno and Frank Cuthbert introduced themselves as candidates in the 1st and 3rd aldermanic districts.

Discussion of sustainability plan update:

Follow-up on potential farmers market presentations for this summer: Wild Ones may be interested in collaborating on a presentation on native plants and Fox/Wolf Watershed Alliance has been contacted regarding a stormwater presentation. Becky contacted the Neenah High School Eco Club advisor, who will follow up on potential collaborations between the club and the SNC.

Flo Bruno reported that volunteers will take part in the area-wide cleanup near and in the water around Doty Island on May 3, 2025. Registration is at https://fwwa.org/what-we-do/trash-free-waters/cleanup/. Frank Cuthbert reported that plans are being made by the Neenah Parks and Recreation Commission for temporary grazing by sheep to reduce non-native plants in the Carpenter Preserve.

There was discussion about recycling in the City, and possible future education and survey efforts.

Announcements and future agenda items:

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Oops tag update

Sustainable Communities Network meeting: Monday, March 31, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. at Appleton

Public Library

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner

Minutes of the Sustainable Neenah Committee Wednesday, April 23, 2025 5:30 P.M.

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<u>Present:</u> Committee Co-Chairs Jeff Linski and Carol Kasimor and Committee members Holly Folyer, Becky Heidke-Kwiatkowski, Tayler Roal, and Kristen Sandvick.

Public Appearances: No public appearances.

Approve minutes of the March 26, 2025 meeting:

MSC Heidke-Kwiatkowski, Sandvick, the minutes of the March 26, 2025 meeting were approved as distributed.

Discussion of City of Neenah recycling program:

Becky Heidke-Kwiatkowski discussed the program in which residents' recycling containers are tagged when items are disposed of that are not allowed in curbside recycling. About 5 tags are utilized per week to assist property owners with proper disposal. Common items improperly included in recycling containers include electronics, tires, and grass clippings.

Discussion of sustainability plan update:

Work is continuing on determining goals. Providing education and information has been identified as an ongoing activity to carry out the mission of the committee, so planning is being undertaken for the summer farmers market. Depending on market dates, Wild Ones and Fox Wolf Watershed organizations may be able to participate in presenting on native plants and water quality. Other ideas being pursued including recycling, solar energy, biking, hydroponics, and composting. Collaboration with the high school and middle school eco organizations is being pursued. Information about pedestrian and biking safety will also be discussed at a future meeting.

Announcements and future agenda items:

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Recycling update

Adjournment: MSC Sandvick, Linski, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner