AGENDA SUSTAINABLE NEENAH COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 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 May 22 and July 24, 2024 meetings.
- 4) Discuss sustainability plan update.
- 5) Approval of expenditures.
- 6) 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, May 22, 2024 5:30 P.M.

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<u>Present:</u> Committee Co-Chairs Alderman Cari Lendrum and Carol Kasimor, and Committee members Holly Folyer, Kent Powley, Kristen Sandvick, and Tayler Roal.

Approval of minutes of the April 24, 2024 meeting:

MSC Sandvick, Powley, the minutes of the April 24, 2024 meeting were approved as distributed.

Discussion of recycling compliance:

Kent reviewed the tag program that will be initiated by the Public Works Department when non-recyclables are placed in recycle bins for pick-up. A follow-up postcard will be mailed to properties that receive the tag. Kent also reviewed what may be recycled, economic reasons for recycling, and provided an article for the City newsletter that describes what should not be placed in bins for recycling, and alternatives for many of those items.

Planning for 2024 projects:

Kent and Winnebago County Solid Waste outreach coordinator Kelly Reyer will be presenting at the Neenah Farmers Market on June 15. The solar energy presentation is planned for August 3.

Plastic barrels have been obtained so that the committee can work with residential property owners to use the barrels for rain collection.

Holly and Carol attended the Sustainable Communities Network meeting on April 29 in Menasha. Several area community representatives were in attendance and information was provided about sustainability initiatives.

Holly suggested plan elements for inclusion in the update of the committee's action plan. She offered to conduct a planning project under the direction of the committee as part of her degree coursework, which would better utilize time and efforts that she would be devoting to the plan update. Committee members supported the undertaking of this project by Holly in cooperation with the committee.

Brochures are being updated and will be reviewed by the committee.

Announcements and future agenda items:

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 26 at 5:30 pm.

Adjournment: MSC Roal, Powley, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner

Minutes of the Sustainable Neenah Committee Wednesday, July 24, 2024 5:30 P.M.

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<u>Present:</u> Committee Co-Chair Carol Kasimor and Committee members Holly Folyer, Kent Powley, and Kristen Sandvick. **Also present:** Becky and Jeremy Heidtke-Kwiatkowski.

A quorum was not present, no action was taken.

<u>Public Appearances:</u> Jeremy and Becky introduced themselves and discussed their interest and involvement in sustainability issues.

Becky and Kent discussed the introduction of the "oops tag" program that flags items that cannot be included in the City's recycling pick-up.

Planning for 2024 projects:

Kent reported on the recycling booth that he and Winnebago County Solid Waste outreach coordinator Kelly Reyer presented at the Neenah Farmers Market on June 15. Many residents stopped and learned the latest information about recycling.

The solar energy presentation is planned for August 3 with Kent and Appleton Solar.

Farmers Market dates are still available for other topics.

Holly reviewed the sustainability plan update process, which is proposed to begin in September with a review of data, successes, areas for improvement, and analysis. Holly will update the Committee on a weekly basis on her progress.

The Sustainable Communities Network is meeting on Monday, July 29 at 4:00 pm at Neenah City Hall. We hope to obtain information about the solar installation at The Plaza at a future meeting.

Announcements and future agenda items:

Next meeting: Wednesday, August 28 at 5:30 pm.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner