

VILLAGE OF MCFARLAND

Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee Minutes

Monday, October 10, 2022 - 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL.

Trustee Flaherty called the regular meeting of the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee to order at 6:00 PM in the Municipal Center Community Room.

Members present: Michael Flaherty, Edward Wreh, David Wilson (arrived at 6:26 pm), Darrel Waldera, Kitty Brussock, Angela Freedman, Bruce Fischer, Judy Taber

Members not present:

Staff Present: Kong Thao, Sayer Larson, Phil McDade

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

- a. *This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee. Please remember this is a virtual meeting conducted through the Zoom online meeting platform. Zoom meeting attendees wishing to address the Committee may do so using the Question and Answer feature within the Zoom online meeting platform. You may state your name, address, and provide your comments to the Committee for their consideration. Members of the public who are present in person and wish to address the Committee should fill out a public comment form and turn into the meeting chairperson. Members of the public may speak during public appearances or during their selected agenda item as they designate on the public comment form. Please adhere to the 3-minute time limit. Additionally, you may send your public comments to sustainability@mcfarland.wi.us to be included as part of the meeting.*

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- a. *Discussion and action regarding the minutes from the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting on September 12, 2022.*

Motion by Waldera, seconded Freedman, to approve the minutes from the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting on September 12, 2022. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 1, with Wreh abstaining.

4. BUSINESS.

- a. *Discussion on Draft Sustainability Action Plan for 2023-2024*

Committee members discussed the Draft Sustainability Action Plan for 2023-24 with Thao, reviewing priorities identified in the plan and timelines for implementation. The committee took no action on this agenda item.

- b. *Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board regarding McDaniel Park water access and quality improvements.*

The committee reviewed plans to provide a sand beach and swimming area at McDaniel

Park in a project jointly funded by Dane County and village government funds. The village share of the costs is estimated at \$250,000, with the county contributing \$75,000-\$100,000. Wreh motioned, Taber seconded, to make a recommendation to the village board regarding the McDaniel Park water access quality improvement plan and funding. Motion carried 8-0.

c. Discussion and possible action to request funding for 2023-2024 from the Village Board.

The committee discussed with Larson various sustainability projects that could be funded by the village board. Motion by Flaherty, seconded by Taber, to recommend that \$500 be authorized for purchasing "No Mow May" signs. Motion passed 8-0. Motion by Flaherty, seconded by Taber, to recommend to the village board \$3,000 be authorized to invest in native plant plantings on village property. Passed 8-0.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

a. Monday, November 14, 2022 at 6:00 PM

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Trustee Wreh, seconded by Freedman, to adjourn at 6:56 p.m.

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the public and posted on the public bulletin boards in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Respectfully submitted,
Phil McDade
Utility Billing Assistant