

**Joint Committee of the Whole and
Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee Meeting
February 28, 2023, at 5:30 P.M.**

VB Members Present: Carolyn Clow, Stephanie Brassington, Mike Flaherty, Carrie Nelson, TJ Jerke, Hilary Brandt, Ed Wreh.

S&NR Members Present: Ed Wreh, Carolyn Clow, Kitty Brussock (5:53 PM), Bruce Fischer, Angela Freedman, Judy Taber, Darrel Waldera.

Staff Present: Andrew Bremer, Kong Thao, Lee Igl, Sayer Larson

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Chair Clow called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL.

3. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

Bruce Fischer, 5209 Falling Leaves Lane, spoke on the success of the committees present and encouraged members to work together moving forward while closing past chapters.

4. BUSINESS

a. Discussion regarding 2022 sustainability and natural resource initiatives.

Thao provided the summary of the agenda item, highlighting the actions completed in 2022. Discussion by the committees included affirmation of sustainability action and goals met. Additional comments include the upcoming completion of the Village's Public Safety Center and BCycle program. Bremer provided an update on the solar farm project with Alliant Energy and the McFarland School District.

b. Discussion regarding 2023-2024 sustainability and natural resources initiatives.

Thao provided summary of the agenda items, showcasing the plan's current and upcoming projects. The Committee's discussion included updates to the Municipal Center and its transition to include sustainable features as prescribed in the Sustainability Plan and education on salt reduction. Igl provided comments on Village snow removal and salt usage. Thao provided summary on the action plan for near-term actions.

c. Discussion regarding Village membership in sustainability organizations.

Thao provided summary on the Village memberships and an update on actions with the associated group. Larson provided update to Bird City USA and Tree City USA activities. The Committee discussed additional organizations for participation and membership which includes Lake Waubesa Conservation Association, Clean Lakes Alliance, and Wisconsin Bike Federation. The Committee provided feedback to staff on the growth of the program and continuing to find ongoing ways to support positive impacts to health and well-being in the community.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

- a. TBD

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Brandt motioned to adjourn, Brassington seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous consent. Meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM.