

Minutes
Sustainability & Natural Resources
Committee Meeting
April 19, 2023

Members Present: Mike Flaherty, Carolyn Clow, Kitty Brussock (7:03pm), Bruce Fischer, Judy Taber

Members Absent: Angela Freedman, Nina Schultz

Staff Present: Sayer Larson, Kong Thao, Phil McDade, Lee Igl

1. CALL TO ORDER

Flaherty called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

No public appearances.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- a. Fischer motioned to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2023, Sustainability & Natural Resource Committee meeting. Seconded by Taber. Motion carried 4-0.

4. BUSINESS.

- a. Discussion regarding public information meetings held for conservancy management plan.

Larson provided summary on the agenda item and discussion on the feedback received at the public input meetings. One emphasis was on the concern for water and flooding in the Grandview Conservancy. Igl provided comments on feedback received from the PIM and the committee's discussion on dredging.

- b. Update regarding the upcoming Arbor Day event.

Larson provided the committee with details of the Arbor Day event, which was open to all members of the public with activities for adults and children. The committee discussed the tree inventory activities.

- c. Discussion on No Mow May website and registration.

Thao provided a walkthrough of the No Mow May website and registration and details on sign pickup. The committee inquired on the outreach and publication for No Mow May activities. Thao confirmed publications on the website, community outlook and lookout articles are all in the works.

- d. Discussion on OEI Grant Application Update

Thao provided summary on the business item while introducing the HGA staff that provided technical assistance on the application. Thao shared details of upcoming meetings and activities following the Public Service Commission's announcement. Alex Harris, HGA, provided details on microgrid technology and discussed with the committee battery storage, on-off grid technology, and what this function means for the Public Safety Center.

- e. Discussion and possible action to make recommendation to the Village Board regarding approval of a proposal from HGA for Comprehensive Energy Planning and Predesign Net Zero Energy Services for the Community Center.

Thao provided summary on the business item including the details of the scope of services of HGA's proposal. Alex Harris and Mike Barnett, Mechanical Engineer and Project Manager at HGA, were present to discuss the details of the proposal and its scope of services. The committee discussed water usage, energy reduction methods and impacts on municipal operations. The committee recommended adding language which supports exploring options for federal funding and other resourced dollars be included as part of the scope of services.

Clow motioned to recommend to the Village Board approval of the proposal from HGA for Comprehensive Energy Planning and Predesign Net Zero Energy Services for the Community Center with HGA amendments to the plan to include exploring possible options for federal funding through the incentive programs, IRA, Infrastructure Funding and other. Flaherty seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

- a. Monday, May 8, 2023, at 6:00 PM

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Fischer motioned to adjourn; Seconded by Taber. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.