

**Minutes
Sustainability & Natural Resources
Committee Meeting
August 12, 2024**

Members Present: Miguel Pena, Alisa Leamy, Michael Allen, Nina Schultz, Judy Taber, Angela Freedman (attending remotely but unable to fully participate in the meeting because the meeting was held in a conference room that did not support remote Zoom meeting technology)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lee Igl, Public Works Director; Sayer Larson, Parks Superintendent; Kong Thao, Associate Planner; Phil McDade, utility clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pena called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

No public appearances.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

a. **Motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2024, Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting.**

Pena motioned to approve the minutes; Leamy seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

4. BUSINESS.

a. **Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board regarding the award of contract for the Lewis Park lake access project.**

Igl discussed the lake access project with the committee. The project entails a dock for public use and for launching small watercraft into Lower Mud Lake. The village received two bids for the project for \$251,850 and \$298,500. Igl recommended the lowest bid of \$251,850 from Highway Landscapers, Inc. of Little Chute, WI. Funds for the project will come from \$250,000 in borrowing previously set aside for the McDaniel Park beach project now on hold, and \$26,694 from the village's Capital Projects fund balance. The total project cost with additional expenses for consulting and permitting would be \$276,694. Work on the project will take place this fall. Pena motioned, Leamy seconded, to recommend to the Village Board the award of the contract to Highway Landscapers, Inc., of Little Chute for the Lewis Park lake access project for the amount of \$251,850 with additional expenses for consulting and permitting for a total project cost of \$276,694. Motion carried 5-0.

b. **Discussion on 2024-2025 Sustainability Action Plan.**

Thao discussed details of the village's 2024-2025 Sustainability Action Plan with the committee, revealing highlights with the committee in recent years including: battery and micro-grid technology integration at the recently opened Public Safety Center; development of an eight-acre solar farm on the east side of the village; and integrating solar panels for energy use at a planned reconstruction of a village lift station. The committee discussed ways with Thao to promote village sustainability efforts and programs.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

- a. Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Pena motioned to adjourn; Leamy seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.