

VILLAGE OF MCFARLAND

Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee Minutes

Monday, June 9, 2025 - 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL.

Trustee Peña called the regular meeting of the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee to order at 6:00 PM in the Community Room of the Municipal Center. This meeting was also held via Zoom webinar.

Members present: Trustee Peña, Trustee Leamy, Michael Allen, Lori Whitman, Christine Mania, Kaci Coconate

Members not present: Nathan Berg

Staff Present: Community & Economic Development Director Andrew Bremer, Parks Superintendent Sayer Larson, Assistant to the Public Works Director Aimee Irwin

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

- a. *This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Sustainability and Natural Resources Committee for items that are not on the agenda. Please remember this is a hybrid meeting conducted in person and through the Zoom online meeting platform. Meeting attendees wishing to address the Committee about items not on the agenda may do so at this time. Zoom attendees should type their name and address in the Question and Answer feature within the Zoom online meeting platform at this time. 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. When you are called upon to speak, state your name, address, and provide your comments to the Committee for their consideration. 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.*

Members of the public may also speak during their selected agenda item as they designate on the public comment form or in the Question and Answer feature on Zoom.

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- a. *Motion to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2025, Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting.*

Motion by Allen, seconded by Whitman, to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2025, Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0.

4. BUSINESS.

- a. *Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board regarding adding public electric vehicle charging stations within 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan.*

Bremer discussed with committee members the potential of adding electronic vehicle charging stations to the 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan. Bremer explained that

the Sustainability Plan of 2021 included the goal of increasing the number of public charging stations and action to provide stations at municipal facilities. Bremer reviewed the enclosed memo which detailed funding and recommended locations. Motion by Trustee Leamy, seconded by Whitman, to recommend to the Village Board the inclusion of public electric vehicle charging stations within the 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan for two stations at \$40,000 in 2026. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0.

b. Discussion and action on a recommendation to the Village Board to submit a Charge Up Dane County grant application.

Bremer reviewed the grant opportunity through Dane County called Charge Up Dane County. Bremer explained the grant offers up to five Level 2 charging stations and includes maintenance and operations support for five years. Bremer stated that the grant application is due Friday, June 13th at 2 pm and, if recommended by the committee, the item will be at the Village Board meeting on Tuesday, June 10th. Motion by Trustee Peña, seconded by Trustee Leamy, to recommend approval to the Village Board submittal of two grant applications for the Charge Up Dane County Grant located at the Public Safety Center, 6001 Broadhead Street, and Bashford Street Parking Lot, 6001 Exchange Street. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

a. Monday, July 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Trustee Leamy, seconded by Allen, to adjourn at 7:07 pm.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Aimee Irwin
Assistant to the Public Works Director