

**WEST PALM BEACH
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
April 7, 2015
Approved Minutes**

Members Present:

Lew Crampton, Chair
Jonathan Jadunandan
Jack Rice
Mark Stempler

Staff and Commissioners Present:

Suzanne Schluter
Matthew Ferrer

Call to Order/Sign In/Changes to Agenda

- Meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM.
- *It was decided to vote on the meeting minutes from the December 2, and January 6, meetings as a block. The minutes were approved unanimously.*

Opening Remarks

- Lew Crampton mentioned that the Science Center is nearly finished with their clean water exhibit and expect to have a small ceremony once it is ready. The exhibit will show West Palm Beach's uniquely sustainable water system; mainly from the rainfall at Grassy Waters.

New Business

- Sustainability Web Map – Alex Baker, GIS
 - Alex Baker presented the Sustainability Web Map (reflecting the Bike Lanes, Green Businesses, Electric Charging Stations & Light Pole data), including how to access map via the Public Facing GIS Maps & Apps Gallery (gis.wpb.org).
 - Suggestions were made by Lew Crampton and others about additional data to potentially incorporate into the web map moving forward. Suggestions included: Green Spaces or Urban Open Spaces / Parks & Open Areas, Impervious Surfaces, Tree Canopy Data, Recycle Bin Locations (data can be collected on ArcGIS Collector Application by intern walking downtown) within the city. These suggestions will be taken into consideration and incorporated as possible.
 - Future projects (Story Maps regarding the Water Exhibit potentially) should be coordinated with Zoralys Calle (zcalle@wpb.org).

Old Business

- Better Buildings Challenge Results – Matt Ferrer
 - The City committed about 1.1 million square feet of City owned building space as well as additional partner's building space within the City to the Challenge. All of the energy use information was uploaded into the Portfolio Manager software for 2014. We are still waiting for their report back, therefore we are not able to give all the data we'd hoped to be able to give you today.
 - Our showcase project is our streetlight conversion project. Six thousand eight hundred three lights were retrofit between 2010 and 2014. We have had an energy savings of 60%. We don't have an accurate dollar amount yet, but it looks like a few million dollars.

Sustainability Office Updates

- April 1-30 – Wyland Foundation National Mayor’s Water Challenge
 - Palm Beach County Pollution Prevention Coalition is partnering with us to help get the word out for residents to pledge to conserve water at mywaterplege.com. Educational outreach program by survey and pledge.
- April 11, 9 am – 2 pm – SWA Soiree
 - New event by the Solid Waste Authority
 - Benefitting Resource Depot and Rebuilding America
 - 5k Run Away at 8am on both SWA trails and grassy waters
 - 30-40 vendors letting people know about sustainable living, recycling, etc.
 - Sustainability will have a booth
 - Matt will be doing a presentation as well as about five other speakers
- April 18, 10 am – Northwood Village Green Earth Day Event
 - It will be a short event, but there will be a butterfly release and Mayor Muoio will attend as well as Penni Redford.
- April 22, 3-7pm – Earth Day at the Outlet Mall
 - Non-profit organizations will be out with us and the Outlet Mall at tables to reach out to people about Earth Day and show how their organization does
- April 24 – Arbor Day/Earth Day
 - Planting at Northmore Elementary School – Sustainability will be doing a tree planting and giving out information/activities for the kids.
 - South Olive Community Center, 3-6pm - They will be doing a small earth day event.
 - Art & Wine Promenade, 6-9 PM – The Promenade will be themed on Earth Day and their second Art Battle topic will be tress. Sustainability will look at the possibility of having our first tree give away at this event, if it is not possible, we will still attend and give out information.
- Green business challenge – next event at the south florida science center & aquarium - Sfwmd as well as someone else for the water, palm beach atlantic, st mary’s , hypocrates health institute, subculture coffee, law office of craig goldenfarb, recognized at seminars, leading now at 500 points, you probably kate, Kristina, lew, - lag on people actually going onto website and logging points, sent out how to put points on website, asking you to mention it to people, businesses that you know.

Future Meetings

- Thursday, June 4, 2015, 4-5:30 PM, Mayor’s Board Room

Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 PM.