



# Wauwatosa, WI

## Sustainability Committee

### Meeting Minutes - Final

7725 W. North Avenue  
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

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Wednesday, March 5, 2025

6:30 PM

Zoom Only:  
<https://servetosa.zoom.us/j/81245734808>,  
Meeting ID: 812 4573 4808

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#### Regular Meeting

#### CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present 9**      Member, Chair Michael Arney  
Member Heather Deaton  
Member Seth Flanders  
Member Zoe Hastert  
Member John Horky  
Member Jill McClellan  
Member Steven Ostrenga  
Member Ian Schmitt-Ernst  
Member Rob Zimmerman

**Excused 2**      Member Katherine Riebe  
Aldersperson Liaison Melissa Dolan

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes of the February 5, 2025, regular meeting [25-0360](#)  
**RESULT:** APPROVED  
**MOVER:** Zoe Hastert  
**SECONDER:** Steven Ostrenga  
**Aye:** 9      Arney, Deaton, Flanders, Hastert, Horky, McClellan, Ostrenga, Schmitt-Ernst, and Zimmerman  
**Excused:** 1      Riebe, and Dolan

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Announcements and upcoming activities/events [25-0361](#)  
*Mr Horky shared an event by Joint Housing Coalition.*
  - Wednesday, March 5, or Thursday March 20th
  - 6:15-7:30 p.m. Wauwatosa Library Firefly Room
  - Zoom Link available on request
  - To get a zoom link call 414-278-1240 or email [opportunity@fairhousingwisconsin.com](mailto:opportunity@fairhousingwisconsin.com)

*Ms Hastert shared info on Green Fest, an event at Tripoli Shrine on April 19.  
- <https://www.visitmilwaukee.org/event/green-fest-mke/10782/>*

*Ms Hastert mentioned an electronics recycling event in Kenosha in April. Mr Schmitt-Ernst reminded the group about the April 1 election, state-wide. Mr Ostrenga shared that the discussion from his SEIA call was around financial impacts and specifically that solar projects part of the IRA may potentially be clawed back by the upcoming bill.*

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**2. City Sustainability Manager initial support [25-0362](#)**

*Megan Conway starts on 3.10.25, working Mon, Tues, half day Wednesday. Mr Arney and Mr Zimmerman are meeting with her on 3.17. They will ask if she can attend the next WLGCC meeting (Tuesday, March 18 at 2:30 (2:15-2:30 is optional discussion time)). WLGCC resources are available for detailed orientation.*

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**3. Wauwatosa School District updates [25-0363](#)**

*Net Zero committee-Deaton*

*- Charter is coming and will be reviewed with the WSC to guide how to engage with the subcommittee.*

*Outreach to school "green teams"-McClellan*

*- Ms McClellan continues to build her network at the schools, she met with Kevin LaFountaine (facilities) and they discussed getting receptacles in the buildings.*

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**4. Annual report planning and schedule [25-0364](#)**

*Team review current state of the document and clarified questions in the data and narrative. Mr. Zimmerman asked each committee member to get final edits in by end of March. The committee will approve the report on April 2 and it will be presented to the appropriate committee.*

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**5. 2025 Goals [25-0365](#)**

*The goals are listed at the end of the annual report in a high level narrative. Committee agreed to re-order the goals based on priority and effort. The committee agreed to focus on goals/workstreams throughout the year to help with annua reporting. Agendas and Minutes can be arranged to align with workstreams/goals.*

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**6. Housing Commission update [25-0366](#)**

*As discussed previously in the meeting, there is an upcoming meeting - this shows progress.*

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**7. Green Tier Legacy update [25-0367](#)**

*Mr Arney met with planning department. It is moving along. Mr Zimmerman will include the GTLC into the annual report.*

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY**

**8. Outreach ideas and schedule [25-0368](#)**

*Ms Hastert has requested dates for the Tosa Farmers Market. Other outreach events/opportunities will be planned.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

**9. Updates to committee webpage [25-0369](#)**

*This refers to the committee members page - committee members are requested to add/update their info. This was not specifically discussed in the March meeting.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

**10. April meeting will be in-person; time at room TBD [25-0370](#)**

*Mr Zimmerman reminded the committee that April's meeting will be in-person. There is a question whether or not hybrid is an option. The sustainability manager will attend the meeting with the agenda centered around her orientation.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm after a motion by Ms McClellan, seconded by Ms Hastert and was approved unanimously.*