



# Wauwatosa, WI

## Sustainability Committee

### Meeting Minutes - Final

7725 W. North Avenue  
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

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Wednesday, February 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 called to order at 6:30 PM.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present 7**      Member, Chair Michael Arney  
Member Heather Deaton  
Member Zoe Hastert  
Member John Horky  
Member Steven Ostrenga  
Member Ian Schmitt-Ernst  
Aldersperson Liaison Melissa Dolan

**Excused 4**      Member Seth Flanders  
Member Jill McClellan  
Member Katherine Riebe  
Member Rob Zimmerman

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes of the January 8, 2025, regular meeting [25-0179](#)  
**RESULT:** APPROVED  
**MOVER:** John Horky  
**SECONDER:** Steven Ostrenga  
**Aye: 6**      Arney, Deaton, Hastert, Horky, Ostrenga, Schmitt-Ernst, and Dolan  
**Excused: 4**      Flanders, McClellan, Riebe, and Zimmerman

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Announcements and upcoming activities/events [25-0180](#)  
*WLGCC is hosting a Technical Assistance Training Day in Stevens Point on March 6. The sustainability manager does not start until after this date. Committee members are encouraged to sign up to represent Wauwatosa. Mike Arney had sent information regarding a recent Green Tier Legacy Communities. Zoe is meeting with the program manager from Milwaukee's ECO about building performance standards.*  
**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY
  2. City Sustainability Manager position update [25-0181](#)
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*Megan Conway has accepted the offer and will start on 3.10.25, reporting to Dave Simpson. The team discussed common goals for this position. Ideas include representing Wauwatosa on the WLGCC, determine the feasibility of benchmarking commercial building energy use. Megan will come to the April committee meeting which might be held in-person. City Hall has hybrid meeting capabilities with meeting recording features. Steve suggested committee leadership meet with Megan in advance of the meeting.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

3. Focus on Energy follow-up [25-0183](#)

*Steve shared the solar rebates are likely going away. Zoe suggested asking Brady from Focus for tools for the website and to speak at a community event. Zoe wants to lead the community event.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

4. Wauwatosa School District updates [25-0184](#)

*Heather reported the second meeting of the 'net zero' subcommittee was this week - the focus is learning the current projects and programs, finalizing the charter and deciding on a committee name. Jill had sent an update on her outreach to schools prior to the meeting, she is continuing to build connections.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

5. Annual report planning and schedule [25-0185](#)

*Team divided up the sections to update and provide initial input to. Edits are due Feb 26, 2025. Report will be reviewed for the March meeting.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

6. 2025 Goals [25-0186](#)

*These will be part of the Annual Report. There will be a draft to review and edit before they are finalized. Heather suggested reviewing the goals throughout the year at committee meetings to help stay on track and guide decision making.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

7. Recap of movie screening; future outreach ideas and schedule [25-0187](#)

*Zoe reported how the event was a success with families and residents (approx 42 attendees?). The Waste Wizard presentation at 'intermission' was well received and engaged the group. Zoe plans to host another movie event later in 2025.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

8. Updates to committee webpage [25-0188](#)

*Zoe reminded members to update their information for the member listing using the link Rob sent.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm after a motion by Melissa Dolan, seconded by Ian Schmitt-Ernst and approved unanimously.*