Sustainable Marshfield Committee Minutes
August 28, 2006

The meeting of the Sustainable Marshfield Committee was called to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza, 630 S. Central Ave., Marshfield, WI 54449

Present: Carl Scott, Vuepoint Architecture; Dan Umhoefer, citizen; Dan Knoeck, Director of Public Works; Tom Turchi, City Engineer; Dan Helwig, Design Unlimited; Amber Miller, Director of Planning and Economic Development; Sue Meyer, citizen; Marty Anderson, 4th Ward Alderman; Mary Rentmeester, St. Vincent de Paul; Chris Meyer, 6th Ward Alderman; Mike Brehm, City Administrator; Stephen Schulte, citizen; Sherrie Gruder, UW Extension – Solid & Hazardous Waste Education Center; Mary Kluz, Marathon County – UW Extension; Peter Manley, Wood County UW – Extension; Kirk Langfoss, Conservation Specialist Marathon County

Absent: Mike Meyers, Mayor; Keith Strey, Finance Director; Joe Pacovsky, Utilities Manager; David Leding, Marshfield Door Systems; Mike Wolfgram, Marshfield Clinic; Bob Merkel, Badger Housing; Ken Heiman, Nasonville Dairy; Steve Fuerlinger, Associated Bank; and Scott Boson, The Boson Company

Others Present: Michael Vickerman, RENEW Wisconsin and Amy Krogman, Mayor's Secretary

The committee began discussing the Mission Statement. The following was suggested for the mission station:

The Sustainable Marshfield Committee
Exists to

evaluate the feasibility of Marshfield becoming a sustainable community through economically and environmentally sustainable practices

For

the people of the Greater Marshfield Area

By

identifying mutually beneficial and sustainable initiatives through collaboration between public and private sectors

So That

we are a community that respects natural resources, human health and environmental protection now and for future generations.

It was suggested to add a "social equality" concept to the mission statements. Several members felt equality was expressed in the mission statement and that social justice was outside the mission of this committee. No consensus was reached on this change. It was also suggested that the mission statement needed more definite action plans, however other

members felt it should be broad and that the report would contain definitive suggestions developed by the committee. This will be revisited at the next meeting.

The committee discussed the opportunities and challenges that this committee will be looking at. The committee members listed what items they considered to be important. This will be revisited at the next meeting.

Mike Vickerman from RENEW Wisconsin gave a presentation entitled "Meeting the Global Energy Challenge Wisconsin Commits to Renewable Energy." The committee discussed several forms of renewal energy.

The next meeting date will be Monday, September 18th at the Stanton W. Mead Education and Visitor Center located at the Mead Wildlife Area.

Meeting adjourned 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Krogman
Mayor's Secretary