

Sustainable Marshfield Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 1, 2008

The monthly meeting of the Sustainable Marshfield Committee was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Marty Anderson in the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, City Hall Plaza, Marshfield.

Members Present: Joshua Hansen, Georgette Frazer, Marty Anderson, Randy Lueth, Carl Scott, Dan Umhoefer, Sue Meyer.

Others present: Jim Schmidt, Dave Wasserburger, Betty Ptacek, Lori Belongia.

Motion by Randy Lueth, 2nd by Josh Hansen to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2008 minutes.

Citizen Comments: Information regarding plans for a community garden were reported by Sue Meyer. Other committee members are interested in following the progress of this project.

Josh Hansen reported that the Wood County Clean Sweep program is potentially being phased out. Josh Hansen will report at the next meeting details of this concern to the committee.

Dave Wasserburger, Marshfield Water Utility provided a detailed presentation on the history and current status of our water supply with concerns re conditions and risks of contamination of our supplying wells. The committee suggested preparing a resolution that addressed the conflict of Water Utility and Agriculture regulations to prevent future contamination and preserve our supply. This resolution could be recommended for the City Council to forward to Senator Lassa and Representative Vruwink for action at the State legislature level. Also discussed was water conservation efforts and the program WaterSense that supports water efficient products. It was noted that there are currently some plumbing products being sold in the city that do not meet the standard requirements.

Support was voiced for providing energy kits at polling stations. Marty Anderson will research the feasibility of this project.

Information was shared by those who attended the MREA fair:

- Sue provided a summary of EcoMunicipality workshop by Torbjorn Lahti.
- Marty presenting on a panel discussion at the MREA.
- Randy commented on the solar hot water workshop attended.
- Georgette also participated at the Midwest Renewable Energy Fair.

Facilities Study was tabled until the next meeting.

Mid-year Strategic Planning session is being planned for Saturday, August 23 from 9am-1pm at the Marshfield Library. Efforts to interface with the business community and collaborate with the neighboring central Wisconsin communities interested in sustainability are suggestions.

Motion by Carl Scott, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Lueth to adjourn at 6:20pm.

Respectfully submitted.  
Sue Meyer.