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SUSTAINABILITY & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

- 1) Call to order
Chair White called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
 - a. Roll Call
Members White, Beheler, Grabe, Saltes, Gottwald, Gauger (7:34) and Youth in Government Student Ethan Fendrick were present. Tom Butosov was absent. Administrator Owen was also present.
- 2) Agenda Items
 - a. Consideration of March 28, 2023 Meeting Minutes
Motion by Beheler, second by White to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
 - b. Introduction of new committee members, Elizabeth Grabe and Nate Gauger
New members Grabe and Gauger were introduced to the committee.
 - c. Discussion: Debrief of Election Day Survey
White gave an overview of survey responses. The committee was impressed with the number of responses and feedback and thanked those who volunteered for their efforts.
 - d. Discussion: Debrief of Sustain Dane/SNR Joint Event
All members felt the event was very well attended and was a great opportunity to highlight success stories and network. All felt they would like to partner with Sustain Dane again on a future event.
 - e. Discussion: Debrief of Rotary Club Presentation
Beheler and Grabe gave an overview of the presentation. There was great interest from Rotary members on the pollinator ordinance being drafted.
 - f. Recommendation of Pollinator Ordinance
White thanked Beheler and Saltes for their work on the ordinance. Beheler and Saltes reviewed the ordinance with the committee. Administrator Owen said if recommended for approval, the ordinance will undergo legal review then go to the Board for approval,

likely at their June meeting. Motion by Gottwald to recommend approval, second by Grabe. Motion carried with Beheler abstaining.

g. Recommendation: Sol Smart Participation

White provided a background on SolSmart's. SolSmart provides free technical assistance to municipalities and a tiered ranking system for community solar friendliness. The Dane County Office of Energy and Climate Change staff has offered to assist us through the process. Currently Madison and Fitchburg are the only members certified in the program. Motion by Gauger, second by Gottwald to recommend participation. Motion carried.

h. Future Agenda Items

Future agenda items include a revised garden ordinance to include ornamental flowers, planning for the next SNR event, discussion on community outreach and discussion on a potential grant opportunity.

3) Meeting adjournment.

Motion by Fendrick, second by Beheler to adjourn. Motion carried. 8:06 p.m.