



## **ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 24, 2023 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM**

#### **1. Roll Call**

Committee Attendees: Chair Lauren Lindelof, Polly Andersen, Dr. Edmund Chute, David Ferri, Meaghan Yorro, and Ava McNanley.

Wayzata City Staff Member: Nick Kieser, Parks Planner

#### **2. Approve Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda, first by Ferri, and seconded by Chute. Motion passed 6-0.

#### **3. Approve August 29, 2023**

Motion to approve minutes as shown, first by Chute and seconded by Andersen. Motion passed 6-0.

#### **4. Sustainable Home Update**

Staff provided an update on the development of the Sustainable Home and reviewed both the images and text. The Committee discussed each item and provided comments with ideas that could be incorporated in the next update.

- Staff to fill in the items that do not have information currently.
- Rewiring America can be a great resource for electrifying aspects of the home.
- This resource can be sent to neighboring communities for their review and comment, specifically Minnetonka. Other options could be to send this to specific teachers/professors with expertise in these areas for review.
- MRES could also be a good resource for various aspects of the resource.
- When the resource is finalized, it will be incorporated into the City's website and launched in City's media outlets like the Portal, social media, Wayzata Weekly, etc.

#### **5. Municipal Solar Update**

Staff provided an update that the solar installation on the Muni will start on October 30, the

library will start on November 1 and the City Hall/Fire Station will start after those systems are completed. One change in the project is that solar will not be installed on the Liquor Store pitched roof since the panels cannot be warranted on cedar shingles. More panels will be placed on other areas of the roof to not lose energy output.

## **6. Wayzata Schools Solar Update**

McNanley provided an update that they had a meeting with Blue Horizon to discuss the potential to have solar on the schools within the Wayzata School District. The next step is to set up a meeting between the Wayzata High School Environmental Club and Blue Horizon. It was noted that this initiative could start at a smaller school first to see if that is successful then move to more larger schools. A connection with the School District staff and teachers will be pivotal to keep this idea moving forward. The E&E Committee noted that they are willing to help where it makes sense with the School District.

## **7. 2024 Work Plan**

Staff attached a list of potential sustainability options that the Committee could work on in 2024. Staff also noted that there will most likely be various grant options available in 2024 that the Committee and City could pursue. The best possible options to pursue for now would be low/no cost options until the grant options are available. The Committee discussed options from the list that could work well to work on.

Staff will send out a list of their top options that could work well. The Committee noted that at the November meeting they will bring their top options so a finalized list can be created and incorporated into the 2024 work plan.

## **9. Next Meeting – November 28**

## **10. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 6:10 pm. Motion passed 6-0.