



City of Lake Oswego  
Sustainability Advisory Board Minutes

**-APPROVED-**

June 21, 2010

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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Co-Chair Bruce Brown called the June 21, 2010 meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Board to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Yamhill Room of the West End Building, 4104 Kruse Way, Lake Oswego, Oregon. Members present: Co-Chairs Bruce Brown and Grant Watkinson, Ron Gronowski, Paul Lyons and Amin Wahab. Dorothy Atwood, Matt Briggs and Gregory Monahan were not present. Council Liaison: Sally Moncrieff. Guests: Gary Bachofner; Daniel Gottlieb; and Ray Phelps, Regulatory Affairs Manager, Allied Waste. Staff: Susan Millhauser, Sustainability Coordinator; and David Donaldson, Assistant City Manager

MINUTES

Lyons **moved** to accept the Minutes of April 19, 2010 after the draft was modified to clarify that Lake Oswego was using almost twice as much water per capita as the City of Tigard on a per capita basis. Gronowski **seconded** the motion and it **passed** by unanimous vote.

Lyons **moved** to accept the Minutes of May 17, 2010 after the following sentence was added: "Lyons reported that 15 people attended a right size housing forum at the ACC." Gronowski **seconded** the motion and it **passed** by unanimous vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ray Phelps, Allied Waste, announced that all 13 school buildings in the Lake Oswego School District were now certified as Green Schools. He announced that Allied Waste was taking food waste as well as yard debris to the new Pacific Region Compost Facility near Corvallis. The SAB agreed to schedule time on its July agenda to discuss a food waste collection pilot program for Lake Oswego with Allied Waste representatives.

Gronowski thanked those who had toured 12W and agreed to arrange another tour date for those who had not been able to go on the first tour.

REGULAR BUSINESS

**Comprehensive Plan Update**

The presentation by Sidaro Sin, Senior Planner was postponed. Councilor Moncrieff related that the City Council planned to meet with the Planning Commission to finalize the Citizen's Advisory Committee's charge statement and then formally approve Committee members. Lyons would represent the SAB on the Committee. On July 27<sup>th</sup> the City Council was to be presented with the Committee members and review the Comprehensive Plan Update outreach plan.

**SAB Recruitment**

Millhauser reported that five persons had applied for four open SAB positions. No one had applied for the youth position.

## **Sustainability Action Month Results**

Millhauser reported that there had been a total of 1,400 attendees at Sustainability Action Month events this year, which was a significant increase over last year. That success was attributed to the strategy of partnering with existing organizations and to the efforts of Justin Bates. There had been good turnouts at the workshops and 40 riders had participated in the Century Tree Bike Ride. About 65 persons had attended Rotary meeting presentations. Brown announced there was to be an electric vehicle expo in conjunction with the Oregon Electric Vehicle Association's monthly show in Millennium Park on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. The group suggested things to do or change next year. The pharmaceutical recycling event should be scheduled in May instead of April. The SAB should consider partnering with the Tigard/Lake Oswego Water Partnership the Oregon Association of Clean Water Agencies and Tualatin Riverkeepers.

## **Centennial Celebration: July 17<sup>th</sup> Event**

Millhauser circulated the volunteer sign up sheet for the SAB booth. Someone had suggested having an activity at the event in which participants could help create a 100-year timeline for moving toward a sustainable community. Lyons offered to search the Internet for examples of how similar timeline-creating exhibits worked.

## **Sustainability Policy and Decision Tool**

Millhauser related that the staff had developed a sustainability decision tool to use in the Capital Improvement Plan process which had been modified to use during the Comprehensive Plan update process. She continued that the tool still needed a lot of refinement prior to presenting it to the SAB. Councilor Moncrieff noted that such a tool would be very helpful for the Council's facilities sub-committees work. Millhauser what the SAB thought about starting with a high performance a green building policy to recommend to the City Council. The City Sustainability Plan called for such a policy. The Board generally supported the idea because the technology was available and the City was about to redevelop Foothills and build new municipal facilities. They anticipated that the new public and public/private developments would be around long enough to enjoy payback of the extra cost. Now was a good time to adopt a policy. Insurers were offering discounts for green buildings; bond interest rates were down; state and federal regulations would eventually be tighter; and there would be savings in utility costs. Brown and Watkinson had already asked the Council to discuss setting a high bar for development of public projects. Moncrieff encouraged the SAB to help guide the Council. The Board asked the staff to come and discuss green building policy at the next meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business Co-Chair Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Susan Millhauser  
Sustainability Coordinator