



MISSION:

"To assure the common good through services essential for a safe, sustainable, engaged and healthy community."

DATE: March 20, 2024

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall, North Conf. Rm.

CHAIR: Jim Schumacher

RECORDER: Katrina Berg, Asst. Planner

Members Present: Cameron Bump, Brian Graff, Gail Halmstad, Gary Pesicka, Jim Schumacher, Janis Tyler, Steve Betchkal

Absent: Amy Kalmon, Monica Obrycki

Staff in attendance: Katrina Berg & Ned Noel

Public in attendance: Jane Mohler, Sue Waits

AGENDA ITEM #1: Call to Order

Chair Jim Schumacher called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM #2: Roll Call

Chair Jim Schumacher took the roll and a quorum was met.

AGENDA ITEM #3: Approval of January meeting minutes

Committee member Gary Pesicka made a motion to approve of the minutes. Seconded by Committee member Cameron Bump. Unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEM #4: Open Public Comment Period for Items that do not appear on this Agenda.

Committee member Brian Graff shared that the Biden Administration announced an initiative to deemphasizing gas powered car production.

Public Discussions

Item #5A Chippewa Valley Biodiversity Partnership

Jane Mohler gave a presentation about the Chippewa Valley Biodiversity Partnership and announced a retreat that is being held on March 29th at the L.E. Phillips Memorial Library.

Item #5B Sustainable Eau Claire Awards Voting

Staff member Katrina Berg presented the nominees for Sustainable Eau Claire Awards. People, organizations and businesses were nominated. Committee members voted and the following were selected to receive the awards:

Alicia Howe

Pablo Foundation

Drylock Technologies

A motion to approve of the Sustainable Eau Claire Award winners was made by Brian Graff, Seconded Gary Pesicka. Carried unanimously.

Item #5C Bird Friendly Design Discussion

Staff members presented the first draft of the bird safe glass ordinance. Committee Member Steve Betchkal gave additional context as to why the ordinance is important. The committee was favorable of the draft.

Item #5D Brewing Projekt Earth Week Event Planning

Staff member Katrina Berg spoke about the plan for SAC’s outreach table for the Earth Week event. There was some discussion about how information would be shared.

Other Business Agenda Items

Item #6A Community Updates

- Staff members thanked outgoing SAC members Brian Graff, Monica Obrycki, and Amy Kalmon for their work on the committee.
- Council has presented an ordinance that would add a council member to all committees and they would become chairperson of that committee.

Discussion and Direction

AGENDA ITEM #7A: Future Agenda Items

The April meeting will be cancelled and a tour is being offered to SAC members at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

AGENDA ITEM #8: Adjournment

Committee member Brian Graff motioned to adjourn, Chair Jim Schumacher seconded. The meeting adjourned the meeting at 5 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES



Gail Halmstad, Secretary

FUTURE MEETING DATES:	TIME:	LOCATION:
May 15th	3:30 p.m.	City Hall, N. Conf. Room