

Meeting of Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on Sustainability
March 7, 2006
City Hall, City Manager's Conference Room
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Introduction and Ground Rules for Committee
- Overview of Committee's Charge and Priorities
- Questions and Discussion
- Adjournment

Members present:

Tom Rooney, Gary Epler, Bert Cohen, Ned Raynolds, Sandy Hennequin, and Skye Maher. Also in attendance, Mayor Steve Marchand and Assistant City Manager, Cindy Hayden.

This initial meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m by Cindy Hayden. The members introduced themselves and selected a chairperson, Tom Rooney and a vice-chairperson, Ned Raynolds. There will be one additional member on this committee to be appointed by the School Board Chairperson.

A general discussion ensued regarding the charge and mandate of the committee. While many options for the initial direction of the committee were offered, it was decided without a vote, that the committee would meet again this month with the express purpose of learning more about "The Natural Step", hopefully with the assistance of Sarah James. Cindy Hayden will contact Ms. James for a possible date. After meeting with Ms. James, the committee will be better informed about how to enlist support for the public meeting planned for late this spring.

In addition, the committee has expressed interest in reviewing the current energy expenditure information for the city buildings. It is hoped that an initiative in this area is possible for an early spring project.

The next meeting is planned for the week of March 27.

Submitted by
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