

**VILLAGE OF FOX CROSSING  
SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 5:15 PM  
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX - 2000 MUNICIPAL DRIVE**

*“To help sustain our community for future generations by using resources in the most responsible ways at the right times and for the right reasons.”  
-Fox Crossing Sustainability Committee Mission Statement*

**Attendance:**

Kris Koeppe, Chair  
Michael Scheibe, Citizen Member  
Veronica Kasperek, Citizen Member  
Laurie Collins, Citizen Member  
Tracy Romzek, Citizen Member  
Susan Garcia Franz, Citizen Member  
Thomas Willecke, Citizen Member

**Staff:**

George Dearborn, AICP, Director of Community Development  
Dan Dieck, Associate Planner  
Emma Dziengeleski, Intern

**Others**

None

Chairman Koeppe called the meeting to order at 5:15pm

**MINUTES**

Michael Scheibe moved and Laurie Collins seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2022 Sustainability Committee meeting. The motion passed with one abstention made by new committee member Thomas Willecke, as he was not on the committee yet in June.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Chairman Koeppe submitted a report showing the Village of Fox Crossing received a \$13,795.05 credit from We Energies for replacing its high pressure sodium bulbs in street lights to LED bulbs. He also provided copies of a newspaper article highlighting the International Dark Sky Initiative which is designating areas that meet certain criteria for dark skies. Wisconsin currently has one: Newport State Park at the tip of Door County.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Chairman Koeppe stated that we have collected approximately 168 lbs. of plastic film and that the Village should qualify for another park bench, as a result of the ongoing program.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Koeppe welcomed Thomas Willecke to the committee and the committee members all introduced themselves to Mr. Willecke. Director Dearborn introduced Emma Dziengeski to the committee. Ms. Dziengeski is the Community Development summer intern.

Dan Dieck explained that all garden plots have been rented and that the water issue near plot #4 in Wittmann Park has been determined to be caused by a low area where water accumulates. The committee will look at bringing in some soil or other alternatives this fall.

Director Dearborn informed the committee the Village received a grant for 2- 50 KW solar energy stations, funds will be available in the next couple of years.

Chairman Koeppe has asked Winnebago County Recycling to do a 5-10 minute presentation on the cost benefits of recycling verses garbage collection at an upcoming Village Board meeting.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Laurie Collins offered some ideas for new committee initiatives; old paint collection, beautification program, and partnering with schools for sustainability. There was some discussion amongst the committee regarding the initiatives.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Michael Scheibe and seconded by Susan Garcia Franz to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

5:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Daniel Dieck  
Recording Secretary