

# MINUTES | October 10, 2013

7:30 am • Leawood City Hall • 4800 Town Center Drive • Main Conference Room

**Members Present:** Debra Filla, Julie Cain, Mike Gillaspie, Alicia Jennings, Scott Pashia, Bob Pierson, Jim Potter, Mike Schaad, Chris Schultz

**Staff Present:** Brian Anderson, Marica Putman

**Members Absent:** Martha Conradt, Gareth Matthews

**Guests:** Kathi Vandel, Lightworks Inc.; Mary English, Small Step Energy Solutions LLC, Joe Johnson, Leawood Public Works

## ✚ Welcome & Introductions

- The SAB meeting came to order at 7:35 am. Members welcomed our guests Kathi Vandel and Mary English.

## Approval of today's meeting agenda.

- Scott Pashia made a motion to approve the agenda. Vice-Chair Cain seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## ✚ Approval of the past meeting minutes.

- Vice-Chair Cain made a motion to approve the September 12<sup>th</sup> minutes. Chris Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## ✚ Master Calendar – Mike Gillaspie

- The Art and Essay Contest entries will be removed.
- The Sustainability Initiative Award applications deadline is December 13<sup>th</sup>.
- The Sustainability Initiative grant award deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup>.
- 2014 large item recirculation days are June 7<sup>th</sup> and September 20<sup>th</sup>.
- August 14<sup>th</sup> is a potential work session.
- The calendar will be updated and sent out to members.

## ✚ Recycling

### Large Item Recirculation Day – September 21<sup>st</sup> – Bob Pierson

- Town & Country sent out 3 trucks and completely filled 1 truck.

### Recycling Extravaganza – October 26<sup>th</sup> – Bob Pierson

- Bob Pierson handed out detailed recycling extravaganza newspaper flyers and parking information sheets.

### Ripple Glass – Jim Potter

- There is a lack of bins in this area with the exception of a couple commercial bins near restaurants in Town Center. Ripple Glass is interested in providing bins here. Jim Potter spoke with Richard Coleman and was informed that the big issue is screening. Richard Coleman is currently looking for a location for a bin. Members discussed their previous attempt in providing a bin in Leawood. Chair Filla suggested he contact Jeff and Melanie Alpert because they are putting in residential areas in Park Place. It's a tight mix and there's a little bit of flexibility for a possible bin location. Members discussed various options in different areas, regulations and ordinances.

## ✚ Green Mobility

### Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan – Brian Anderson, Alicia Jennings

- A results report in February is doable. Workshop meetings are completed. Marty Shukert has pictures, notes and creating his first version of a bike and pedestrian masterplan map to review with the steering committee late October.

## MEMBERS

**Debra Filla, Chair**  
Corinth

**Julie Cain, Vice-Chair**  
BV High Schools

**Martha Conradt**  
Cure

**Mike Gillaspie**  
Leawood Middle

**Alicia Jennings**  
Nativity

**Gareth Matthews**  
Mission Trail

**Scott Pashia**  
Brookwood

**Bob Pierson**  
St. Michaels

**Jim Potter**  
Prairie Star Elementary

**Mike Schaad**  
Leawood Elementary

**Chris Schultz**  
Prairie Star Middle

**Chris Claxton,**  
Director of Parks  
& Recreation

**Brian Anderson,**  
Parks Superintendent

**Marica Putman,**  
Adm. Graphics Tech

**Scott Lambers,**  
City Administrator

**Kevin Jeffries,**  
Pres. & CEO Leawood  
Chamber of Commerce

- Survey results to-date are disappointing, 94 online surveys were returned. Need to find a way to market these online surveys. Chris Schultz suggested putting a survey notice in the library, near the terminals. The survey is very bicycle oriented which drew previous complaints because walkers may not believe it pertains to them too. The survey has since been revamped.

### Walk/Ride to School and WSB – All

- Alicia Jennings
  - Cure had 281 kids walk on October 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - Nativity has not returned their final count. Possibly 90 kids participated.
  - Leawood Elementary had 158 kids walk on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- PE teachers want walking and biking safety classes. Brian Anderson suggested contacting Leawood Police. Elizabeth Bejan, Revolve, is providing class for the Westwood area.
- Alicia Jennings suggested that we have a print kit ready for schools next time. Each kit is to include signs, banner, info, and more. The principals would like this information in May rather than contacting them a week in advance. Chair Filla suggested that she work with Martha Conradt and Brian Anderson to create this walk/bike to school kit. Members asked about raffling, giveaways, etc. The schools have requested to keep it simple – no giveaways/raffles, etc.
- Chair Filla
  - Corinth's normal walking Wednesdays.
- Scott Pashia
  - Brookwood. He will get a final count.
- Gareth Matthews sent out his event photos. Mission Trail had a great turnout. Vice-Chair Cain mentioned that there is no crossing guard there. The city pays for crossing guards at other schools. She is going to check on that information and which schools need crossing guards (Cure, St. Michaels, and Nativity).
- Mike Gillaspie spoke with Leawood Middle Principal Dr. Marcia Weseman concerning sustainability issues and walk/bike to school. The walk/bike is not a high priority for her; however, she is interested in it.
- Chris Schultz met with Jim Potter for Prairie Star Elementary. Chris Schultz sent grant information to the 2 middle schools. He has heard back from the elementary and is still waiting to hear back from Prairie Star Middle School.

### HOA Meeting – Chris Schultz

- Members review critical dates handout. He suggests that the agenda draft be reasonably finalized for the November discussion since there is not a meeting in December. Sustainability Awards to the schools will be shared. Chair Filla will present the 1<sup>st</sup> draft HOA meeting presentation in January and the final review in February. She suggested a conference call in March to review the HOA meeting results since no meeting is scheduled.
- Members discuss the draft agenda. Main topics are green mobility, conservation, and recycling. Members discussed the following.

**Green mobility:** Bike & Pedestrian Masterplan, Parks & Recreation Masterplan, 135<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor.

**Conservation:** Joe Johnson to speak about Best Management Program for Stormwater Management (rain gardens), and Energy (street lighting). Residential lighting may be presented by a guest speaker. Solar is questionable (Richard Coleman). Topics include efficiency and geothermal tasks.

**Recycling:** Present large item recycling dates and stats (did second container for recycling achieve a 20% increase in recycling and decrease in trash in Leawood Estates as it did in Leawood HOA?)

### ACTION ITEMS

- ✓ **Marica**
  - Check class dates for rain gardens, composting, etc. Send dates to Mike G for the master calendar.
  - Post newspaper ad and map for recycling extravaganza.
- ✓ **Brian**
  - Send out an email for volunteers with Bob and Jim Twigg's contact info.
  - To contact consultant Marty to create a master email for members to send out.
- ✓ **Julie**
  - Reach out to students to volunteer for the recycling extravaganza.
  - Contact Scott Lambers about crossing guards for schools.
- ✓ **Jim**
  - Reach out to Jeff and Melanie Alpert about a Ripple Glass bin and to continue research.
- ✓ **Alicia**
  - Contact Leawood Police Officers Erik and Jared for walking and bicycle safety classes for schools.
  - Contact Martha Conradt to create a brief little flier or email to send out to schools about who to contact for walking and bicycle safety classes.
  - Work with Martha Conradt and Brian Anderson to create a walk/bike to school kit for schools.
- ✓ **Chris S.**
  - Continue to provide materials for the HOA meeting.
- ✓ **Bob**
  - Provide recycling stats for HOA meeting.
- ✓ **Debra**
  - Contact Mark for web posting educational events
  - Send out "To Do's."

- Mike Gillaspie did speak to Joe Johnson about LED lighting. They discussed lighting issues on recent city projects.
- Members reviewed the HOA meeting check list. Based on today's discussion, this check list will be revised and sent out to members.
- Giveaway ideas:
  - Rain Barrel or Rain Garden Design (Chair Filla to contact Leslie)
  - Arborist Visit/1 or 2 hour consulting on Rain Garden design
  - Compost
  - Led Lights (Julie)
  - Police/Fire Ride alongs
  - Family Pool Passes
  - Challenge Wall

**Guest Speakers: Kathi Vandel, Lightworks Inc. and Mary English, Small Step Energy Solutions**

• Kathi Vandel has a degree in architectural engineering with 24 years experience in lighting design and electrical engineering. She started this firm, focusing primarily in commercial building construction, not industrial type construction. She mentions and shows members several projects her firm has designed.

LED (light emitting diode)

- Long life (50,000-60,000 of hours)
  - Energy reduction
  - LED equipment have maintenance issues
  - Heat is an enemy of LED
  - Relatively new technology that is changing daily
  - A concern is buying now and maintenance issues in later years
  - The cost is dropping rapidly
  - Increase module replacements
  - Daylight harvesters/sensors
- Mary English is a small business owner in the residential energy efficiency business, working in new construction and existing homes with homeowners. She worked in this field for 6 years, apprenticed for 2 years and in her own business for 4 years. She uses thermodynamics and physics in an energy assessment. This energy assessment is a top to bottom inspection that involves testing, health and safety testing, consultation and more. They are problem solving issues and include such issues as asthma, mold, cold/hot spots, etc. She explains how they do energy audit in a home. Average cost starts at \$500, takes 3-4 hours or more depending on the house size, and a couple of days for results/report/consultation.

**Other**

- Joe Johnson gives an update on green streets. He will meet with the stormwater committee this month to review designs and cost. Then they will work with the city attorney, draft an agreement, and see if the homes associations would like to participate.
- Sierra Club 10/19 Global Warming Forum asked us to post their event on our website. Chair Filla will ask Mark Andrasik to put an educational blurb/link on the website for upcoming educational events and per request of Vice-Chair Cain that the city approves it.

Chair Filla asks for the motion to have an educational blurb on the SAB website for upcoming educational events. Alicia Jennings makes the motion to approve this action. Chris Schultz seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

- Chair Filla will send out a summary of "to do's".

**Adjourn**

- Meeting adjourns at 9:06 am. Next meeting is on November 14th, 2013.
- No Meetings in December.