

## **MINUTES**

Commission on Sustainability

Wednesday, March 19, 2008

5pm to 7:30 pm

Commissioners present: Sarah Lewis, Catherine Fritz, Dan Miller, Sandy Boyce, Eva Borstein, Sally Schlichting, Gayle Wood, Jonathan Kamler

City Liaison Present: Maria Gladziszewski.

Public Present: Dave Hanna, Bill Leighty

Meeting Called to Order at 5 pm by Sarah Lewis

**Minutes** approved for February 6 and 20, 2008. March 5, 2008 minutes were taken by Dan, but not available for this meeting.

### **Actions:**

- 1) Commission voted to support establishing liaison positions
- 2) Commission voted to Support Farmers Market Concept of growing food locally. Farmers Market targeted for August.

### **Presentations:**

- 1) ICLEI, Amy Shatzklin—Senior Program Officer
  - a. Slide show handout passed out
  - b. Excellent overview of their program
  - c. Cities develop their own sustainability office
  - d. They have emission analysis software
  - e. New Hampshire action plan finished on the adaptation section of the web site. Software can be used for constructing scenarios.
  - f. The Climate Registry is an organization. States report their emissions. The goal is to reduce emission 7% below 1990 levels.
  - g. Environment, equity, economy are goals to improve community livability
  - h. Green Building Council evolving from the community sustainability program of ICLEI.
  - i. Commutative local actions with a focus on mitigation and adaptation. Mitigation saves the community \$ while adaptation prepares the community for change and makes them more resilient.

- 2) Parking Garage, Rorie Watt—city engineer. Good discussion about the project including 11 million funding available, goal to improve operations for transit staff (break room). Library parking does not serve downtown. Fee ordinance allowing businesses to pay into a fund instead of providing on-site parking. Build oversize columns for future floors. Juneau doubled population size since 1970 but not in downtown. The building footprint is not open for discussion.

**Energy subcommittee:** Next meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 5pm AELP

**Transportation subcommittee:** Next meeting. April 1, Monday valley library  
Looking at other community sustainability indicators for transportation.

**Waste & Recycling:** Next meeting April 8, 2008, Egan Library

**Built Environment:** Next meeting April 22.

**Outreach:** Next meeting 3/31/08 at silver bow (time?)

- The web site is up. Subcommittees need to add something to the site.
- Earth Day. Subcommittees need to provide posters or other aids
- Farmers Market. Invite people to grow produce over the summer, invite master gardeners, Audubon, girl scouts, story telling by Tlingit, perhaps traditional ecological knowledge sharing. Invite Peter Metcalf. Joe Orsi grows garlic and would be a good person to speak with. Invite someone knowledgeable about green houses.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm