

**CITY GREEN TASK FORCE
MEETING MARCH 19, 2008**

Members Present:

Steve Corson	Energy Services Business Development, Trane
Everett Fennell	TRC, Engineering Manager
Patricia Lodge	Boyle Engineering, Water Resources Engineer
Linda Portner	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Associate Director
Ira J. Raab	Retired Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York
Myles Schack	Aviation Industry Executive
Steve Scherer	Consultant & College Math Instructor, Retired Utility Executive

Others Present:

Patrick Painter, City of West Palm Beach, Environment Resources Manager
Terry L. Maple Palm Beach Zoo, President / CEO
Jack Frost, City of West Palm Beach, Nominating Advisory Committee
Peter Robbins, City of West Palm Beach, Public Information Officer
Gloria Morgan, City of West Palm Beach, Administrative Assistant
Penny Redford, City of West Palm Beach, Recreation Campus Manager
Ivan, Toolsie, City of West Palm Beach, Parking Operations Coordinator
Usha Vargas, City of West Palm Beach, Systems Development Manager
Denise Malone, City of West Palm Beach, City Comprehensive Planner
Amy Stelly, City of West Palm Beach, Planner
Sean Samuels, City of West Palm Beach, Parking Facility Supervisor
Lisa Hedge, City of West Palm Beach, Deputy Clerk
Patrick Dilla, REP Associates, Inc. Project Manager
Missy Tancredo, REP Associates, Inc., Operations Administrator
Jaclyn Meli, REP Associates, Inc.

- The meeting started with Mayor Frankel welcoming the members. She stated it is very important to preserve, define a mission and develop goals where we can make the most impact of Sustainability. Also, to see if there is a way to measure electricity, water and fuel. Sustainability should penetrate all areas of the City. It is very important to develop ways to educate the citizens of West Palm Beach. Mayor Frankel told the Task Force at some point she wants the meetings to be put on WPB TV.
- Each member introduced themselves and stated their area of expertise.
- Lisa Conforti, Assistant City Attorney, gave an overview of the Florida Sunshine Laws to the members.

- Lisa Hedge, Deputy Clerk, swore in the members of the Task Force.
- It was determined to hold the next meeting on Thursday, April 17, 2008 at 8:00 AM in City Commission Chambers.

Patrick Painter

- Sustainability is energy and economic interests locked together to minimize waste. Solutions are available. Please take this serious because Sustainability is financial, social, governmental, which relates to everything we do in our life.
- As a group we are to take a good look at the City of West Palm Beach and get as many people into Sustainability as possible.
- The City of West Palm Beach became signatories to and endorsed the dilemma of Global Climatic Change in the form of the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement. This Agreement the Mayors on behalf of their cities, urged collectively the federal and state governments enact policies and programs to meet or exceed the target reduction of global warming pollutants levels to meet Kyoto Protocol Standards. However, we are already years behind achieving this goal that signed to original Kyoto Protocol Agreement.

Penni Redford

- The City's Grassy Water Preserve is an excellent tool for environmental education and to promote conservation.
- Penni suggested the group schedule a meeting at the Grassy Water Preserve.

Terry Maple

- The Palm Beach Zoo is working towards being the first green zoo in the US. He also suggested that the group should schedule a meeting at the zoo.
- The Animal Care Complex includes the Salvatore M. Zeitlin Animal Hospital and the yet-unnamed Center for Conservation Medicine. The companion building, the Wildlife Wellness Center is in design and not yet fully funded. We expect the hospital to be completed by December 2008. It is designed to attain LEED silver certification. This building is the first in a series of developmental projects that will, hopefully, transform the entire zoo into a green facility. Our goal is to be recognized as the "greenest zoo in the nation" if not the world. This transformation will likely take five years to fully implement. In the next few months as we design, develop, and implement green operating standards and practices I anticipate a lot of media on the greening process. I will keep the

committee and city PR officers informed. I think this will be a great story for the zoo and for the City of West Palm Beach, so let's work together to get the story out to our community and beyond. I anticipate that our process may also be a useful model for the Task Force.

Steve Scherer

- It is important that the task force start with City Government set the example for the community. Improvements can be made and the City can do a lot to get things moving.

Everett Fennel

- Suggested we ask FPL about what they've done for their fleet in regarding going green.

Judge Ira Raab

- Stated the task force needs to establish rules and regulations, mission, goals and objectives.

Peter Robbins

- He will get the word out in the city news letter, web and WPBTV and other media that the City has established a City Green Task Force.
- Printers in City Hall have been set to print two sided, recycling and turning lights out at the end of the work day.
- He will give a summary of what the employee green team had accomplished at the next meeting.

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Meeting adjourned.