

**WEST PALM BEACH  
CITY GREEN TASK FORCE  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2008 MEETING  
Approved Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Steve Corson  
John DeCarion  
Everett Fennel  
Harvey Hathaway  
Michelle Parenti  
Miles Schack  
Steven Scherer

**Others Present:**

Patrick Painter  
Penni Redford  
Peter Robbins

**Minutes**

- August minutes were approved.

**Remarks Ira Raab, acting Chair**

- **Establishing Sub – Committees:**
  1. Roebuck Road: Myles Schack, Ira Raab, Steve Scherer, Al Vazquez Chair), John DeCarion.
  2. Recycling: Patti Lodge, Michelle Parenti (chair), Al Vazquez.
  3. Energy: John DeCarion, Everett Fennell, Steve Corson (chair), Steve Scherer, Pat Painter.
  4. Penni to send out list of established initiatives to identify as sub-committees and request volunteers for each. Add to each agenda for reports.
- **School District** information on pilot project for solar energy units on a school building was given to Steve C. for follow up.
- **Ban of Polystyrene:** John pointed out that Styrofoam is a brand name for some products. Ira distributed handout on 'Just say No to Styrofoam' to Recycling sub-committee.

**Unfinished Business**

- **CGTF Logo:** Logo was approved; discussion on ways to use/promote logo were discussed – press releases, WPBTV.
- **Roebuck Road:** Pat gave update saying that the Mayor made a major commitment and will hire an attorney to represent City's no build stance. County has mentioned taking land by eminent domain for Jog Road if needed. October 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 am, a flotilla is planned of canoes/

kayaks to align bow to stern on Roebuck Road wetlands area. Myles is coordinating, will meet at Baywinds. GWP can provide some canoes and equipment. Ira handed out information the Everglades Snail Kite as this is critical habitat that will be impacted by road. Sept.23 is PBC Commission meeting to discuss five year plan and is an opportunity to speak, as an individual, against the road. The Water Catchment Area Advisory Committee meets today at 12:30 pm at GWP and will have a presentation by SFWMD on Roebuck Road, public is always invited.

### **Initiatives**

- **Initiative Status Reports:** No reports.

### **New Business**

- PB County Commission meeting on the five year plan: hold for information from Commissioner Muoio.
- New member, Harvey Hathaway, is interested in urban gardens. May also be interested in City's beautification efforts. Steve C. and Harvey will investigate and report back.
- Michelle notified the committee that the widening of Forresthill Blvd proposes removing all the trees. It is a state road but the City may take over and would have more control over saving the canopy. Per Michelle's request, Peter will schedule fleet presentations.
- The PB County Green Task Force is holding it's first meeting today at 3:00pm at 301 North Olive Ave., Steve c. will attend and report back.
- City of Wellington is putting together a Greenfest in conjunction with Westfest in fall 2009, per Steve C.
- Pat p. reported that Mecca Farms will be turned into an equestrian center by the County.
- Ira would like to have a permanent chair assigned for the task force, Peter will discuss with the Mayor.
- Next regularly scheduled meeting: Commission Chambers, November 20, 8:00 AM.

### **Meeting adjourned.**