PRESENT: Kurt Bendl  
Jim Dale  
Phillip Saieg  
Maya Silver  
Karen Smith  

ABSENT: Jeff Oxenford  
Whitney Painter  

STAFF: Theresa Worsham, Sustainability Coordinator  
Denise Hish, Administrative Assistant  

1. CALL TO ORDER – BUSINESS MEETING:  
Kurt called the business meeting to order at 6:30.  

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:  
With a motion from Phillip and a second by Jim, the agenda was unanimously approved.  

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 25, 2015:  
With a motion from Phillip and a second by Maya the minutes were unanimously approved.  

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:  
None  

5. STAFF AND BOARD UPDATES  
BOARD:  
Maya looked into bike helmet in Seattle – bike helmet vending machine – costly and difficult to do but helmets are the law there. Vancouver also has a helmet law and Phillip said if you don’t have one, you can rent one for $5.00.
Jim shared a couple of website addresses; City Lab (www.citylab.com) and Sustainable Communities (www.sustainable.org). They both post some very interesting information on their websites – check it out.

Jim wants to talk later this year or early next year to get fruit trees added to the City tree sale in 2016.

Philip asked about getting a toilet at the Community Garden – Jim stated that a septic would not be approved for that area and Theresa added that the infrastructure cost would probably not be approved for that area. Using the existing Port-a-let at Lion’s park or the Community Center would be the best options nearest the Garden.

Karen asked when we replace Jeff Oxenford on this Board, can we make sure that person has water experience and Theresa stated that she has forwarded the Board’s request to the Clerk.

Karen asked about the Aqua Hawk meter process. Theresa explained that we sent out an RFP and had no response from anyone, but are working to find out why we didn’t receive responses. Theresa assured the Board that when we start moving forward with the water meter replaced, there will be an educational process that the City will do with the Community.

**STAFF:**

Bike share meeting – starting some focus outreach – talked to CSM for suggestions. Also met with Source Gas and they had some interest; more for tourists, not for commuting. NREL – good turnout and they are the most interested in all the groups and have a big bike base. The Optimists are looking for a space since their building at Heritage Square is closing and we may want to look at a partnering of some groups to start a bike library or bike share. Theresa also shared that she has asked Copenhagen wheel to visit Golden during the USA ProChallenge. (www.superpedestrian.com)

Working on PAYT Ordinance Outreach – having some issues with some haulers and some HOA’s but trying to facilitate information between the two. Recently did some outreach to Village at Mountain Ridge, Stonebridge, Golden Terrace and a few medium size HOA’s. There are about 65 HOA’s or 1700 homes.

Contract for solar at the Community Center is done – reroof project should take about two weeks and then solar can be installed. Theresa distributed the Garden in a Box brochure.

Green Building Code Amendments – The Board agreed previously to table this topic until April to allow Whitney to attend this meeting. Theresa distributed a memorandum that she and Whitney worked on and instructed everyone to read and start thinking about what we might want to see changed regarding Gas Burning Outdoor Appliances and alternative green building codes. She also stated that this
isn’t all the codes and standards and you may find you want to change something on the green menu. These are just some new things to think about and you may decide that we have is fine.

Smaller water tap fees were approved by Council for installing water fountains. Kurt gave suggestions to Theresa about where he felt we should focus on the first ones.

6. ACTION ITEMS:

A. 2015 Sustainability Awards

The Board reviewed nominations for this year’s Sustainability Awards for individuals, community groups, and businesses, which will be presented by City Council on April 23rd. Council will also present an Earth Day Proclamation at that meeting. Theresa received 4 nominations - 1 individual and 3 business awards. All were in agreement with the individual award and then had discussion about the business awards and agreed on 1 business. Theresa added that Bell Middle School I-Stem is creating a vermicompost project that will be sent up in the CASIS rocket in June. The Board agreed that the middle school team would receive an award as well. Karen also stated she felt we should consider the Optimist Club for an award.

B. Education Strategies

Changes were proposed for the Board’s education and communications strategy and included new methods to engage and involve Golden residents and businesses in the City’s sustainability program. Maya and Theresa have spoken about getting more information and utilizing the City website for more engagement. Theresa is starting to re-frame the website page and putting more links and starting a “What’s new in sustainability” blog. Theresa agreed to meet with Maya and Kurt to refurbish this site.

C. Climate Resilience Plan Review

The Board discussed elements of a draft report and a review of the State’s final Climate Resilience Plan for Local Communities. We need to find things in this report that pertain to Golden and focus on those. Theresa recommended to use the State’s report, not to copy it, but to build on next steps for a customized Golden Plan. We would also forward a draft copy to those that wrote the State report for comments/suggestions. Theresa could start this process and the Board agreed.

7. NEXT MEETING:

Agenda topics for next meeting on April 22, 2015

April 22nd meeting agenda
• Bike Library/Bike Share update
• Resilience Plan
• 2015 IBC &IECC collaboration with Planning Commission

May
• Aqua Hawk education
• Low Waste Events

ADJOURN:
Meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.