CALL TO ORDER – BUSINESS MEETING:

Karen called the business meeting to order at 6:35.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

With a motion by Chuck and a second by Jeff, the agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 27, 2012:

With a motion Whitney and a second by Chuck, the minutes were unanimously approved as written.

STAFF UPDATE:

- Heard from the City Attorney about an energy advisor program and that our consultant (iCast) will be allowed to refer Golden citizens to contractors when doing an energy audit. More information will be available at the next meeting. Karen said we should have a promotional plan for each project, putting it on the website, how to get the word out, etc. Theresa will provide a copy of the webpage with the information at the next meeting.
- Kurt felt we need to use the GoldenSustainability.com – need to start branding all this information and we can point people in the correct direction. We can have everything on the City website but redirect to a page called GoldenSustainability.com. Theresa will build the page and have it available at the next meeting.
- Next Thursday, August 2nd, the City will be putting in 12 fruit trees, with the help of some High School kids, and they will go from the new Public Works building to the Community Garden.
- LEED certification – passed our commissioning testing and are still working on finalizing documentation.
- Community Solar Garden RFP was due last Friday – received 4 proposals so far. Theresa is going to Council to talk with them this Thursday night to discuss and review options. 500 kW – little over 3 acres of 2,000 panels.
- Kurt asked if we have the Resource Guide available. Theresa stated it is still being worked on.
- Downtown recycling – Kurt has someone in mind that could help and Karen mentioned that Don Cameron is very happy to get involved also. Need to move forward.

BOARD UPDATES:

Home Energy Efficiency Guide  
CSM Transportation – Run another model

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Budget Review

CSAB reviewed a funding request to support a planned Solar Tour of Golden in early October.

Members (Sheila Townsend, Dave High, and Su High) of the Golden Earth Days Council attended the meeting and gave information about their organization. It was formed 22 years ago and started out as a group that did cleanups of Clear Creek. Over the years they have now broadened their scope of work to include Earth Day Events. They are planning their First Annual Golden Solar Tour which will include a reception and Green Expo at the Mountaineering Center, along with a lecture Series. Sponsorships that they have received so far are from NREL and MillerCoors, ranging from $100 to $2,000. They anticipate upwards of 300 to 500 attending (Boulder has approximately 800 each year at their event). Jeff asked how do we calculate value of this event and is that even a possibility. This led to a discussion regarding how that could be done. Chuck said you should have an impromptu survey (3 to 5 questions) asking why are you here, what are you anticipating learning about solar; could also have these questions in the houses on the tour. Asking for $13,500 in sponsorship from the City. More information about the Green Expo, lecture series and workshops were shared with the committee. Karen brought up Solar Ambassadors (Solar Advisors) that could work well with this program; water conservation groups, Golden Community Garden, Agri-burbia (to name a few); she
would love to see these groups have booths at the Expo. Hillary suggested making the event family friendly and suggested things to do for the kids; also consider having a give-away of something really great. Karen would love to see the lecture series expanded to include more than just solar. Major presence by the City of Golden should be at the Expo – possibly giving free copies of the Guidebook – Theresa stated that we would need to have this Board available to help man the booth and she could have iCast there also.

After much discussion – A motion was made and unanimously agreed to contribute $10,000 from the 2012 budget.

**B. Local Food Discussion**

The Board discussed general concepts regarding local food and whether to make recommendations to City Council about modifying the City’s sustainability goals to include local food efforts.

Relating to local food, social benefits, environmental benefits, VMT and water were all discussed. What is local food; community gardens, backyard garden’s, restaurant grocery supply, farmer’s market. Hillary brought up Local Living Economy and Steve said he has spoken many times about this concept. Steve will come back in September to talk about Golden’s economy. Think about sustainability industries and local living economy. Hillary thought it should be a conversation with Economic Development and Sustainability as to what is Economic Health for Golden; we should have this conversation from all sides defining the local food concept.

It was agreed that we can continue to fund community gardens, etc because it is more because of education and social benefits and not a food system.

**C. Education Sustainability Goal Review**

As part of a mid-term goal review, the Board discussed progress and recommending potential modifications of the education and communication sustainability goals to City Council.

Kurt proposed that we have a discussion and plan around Education and communication; when can we get it on the calendar. Theresa will give him the strategic plan regarding Education and Communication and the Hanna Design. Still having issues with implementation and will have this on an upcoming agenda.

Hillary suggested that some sort of framework to facilitate the meeting with EDComm needs to be discussed; need clear objectives.
NEW BUSINESS:

Theresa now reports to Steve Glueck as Sustainability Coordinator under Planning and Development. City Manager reorganized so that Sustainability, Planning and EDComm, Community Marketing and GURA, is now under Steve.

ADJOURN:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00

NEXT MEETING:

August 22
Economic Goal Review – internal discussion
McKinstry

September 26
Economic Goal Review – meet with EDComm
Green Building Goal Review

October 24
Water Goal Review
Education / Communication Discussion
Pay As You Throw Ordinance