CITY OF GOLDEN
COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD
MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 2010
6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Tom Atkins
Chuck Baroch
Susan Buhr
Hillary Mizia
Scott Morrissey
Gunter Ritter
Karen Smith

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

CALL TO ORDER – BUSINESS MEETING:

Tom Atkins, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

With no changes to the agenda, it was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JULY 28, 2010:

With several minor changes, the minutes were unanimously approved. The changes to the minutes will be made, prior to posting to the website.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kelly Magelky has lived in Golden for 10 years and founded Filament Productions about 7 years ago www.filamentproductions.com. He believes his company could produce a video to show the relevancy of sustainability and would love the opportunity to submit a proposal. Just finished a production for Golden called Red Rocks. Gunter suggested a video that highlights how and what to recycle and answers questions about PAYT.

BOARD UPDATES:

Chuck – Wanted to once again stress that if we are really interested in using City property for wind energy – we should use Guanella Reservoir or Bergen Park reservoir; there is lots of property for turbines, especially at the Bergen park property. Theresa pointed out that large scale projects should be put in the strategic plan. There were several ideas.
discussed, including using Upper and Lower Urad and Henderson Mine in various ways for wind projects. Karen suggested we find viable areas that could work for a large scale project.

Gunter – There is a 5k run at Shelton Elementary – fundraiser for PTSA – normally they do a cookie bake sale but wanted to do something different this year to get people moving.

Gunter – Asked if we had heard back from Peter Ewers regarding the residential project study – when will we hear back from him? He suggested that Theresa propose a schedule to him.

Scott – Discussed Buy Local Bags – talk to local Golden business and get them to participate in putting their logos on bags and then let the kids sell the bags as a fundraiser. Theresa said maybe we put together a proposal and take to the Shop Local Group. Hillary suggested putting this under Economic Health.

Chuck – When we impose cost impacts to our citizens, it could have a negative impact. We need to balance what we do with what other communities do.

STAFF UPDATE:

Budget is looking more conservative next year – If Initiatives 60, 61 or 101 pass – there will probably not be a sustainability budget. If there are any projects we want to do – we should try and do them this year.

Look at I-neighbors websites – this may be good to use these electronic bulletin boards for Green Teams projects.

CRES, solar tour – Golden will be a sponsor this year, so the sustainability logo will be on their brochures and flyers. We will also have a table if we want to do anything there. Theresa described the Eco Products Party Packs. They are a Boulder based company and she would like to see using them in Golden.

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Strategic Plan

The Board reviewed the preliminary draft of the Strategic Plan to provide guidance in achieving the City’s Sustainability Goals.

Introduction: Suggestion to add Resolution 1793 to this document as an attachment. Under intent – important to make clear that we are an Advisory Board and it is not our responsibility to achieve these goals, but advise Council how to.
Tom read a paragraph he wrote for the Intent portion but Theresa said it may be better to put as the Executive Summary. Tom will forward the document to Theresa.

Each Point Person walked through their document, discussing their intent when writing the document. Susan and Karen will not be at the next meeting, so their documents were discussed first.

**Education – Susan**
Karen – suggested we make sure we distinguish between what we have done and what we want to do, moving forward.

Chuck – Feels the education piece is the most important part of the strategic plan and we should add a metric for surveying citizens (collecting data) to see what they want and what is working. May need to hire a professional.

Tom suggested new formatting: Split Goals; Goal 1, then have metrics for Goal 1 and then baseline for Goal 1, then so on for Goal 2, etc.

**Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy – Karen**
Karen should footnote that this assumes we are going to meet these goals, with growth.

Introduction portion – suggested we put what we are doing, what we have done and then in the strategic plan what we plan on doing. Gunter would like to see “what we have done” in 3 areas – annual report, introduction and each section. Karen and Scott disagreed that it would be too messy and too long; if it were website based, you could have a link that takes you to the things that have been done.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
Next meeting – Strategic Plan and Bob Wilson (Susan and Karen will not be present at this meeting)

**ADJOURN:**
Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

**NEXT MEETING:**
Wednesday, August 25, Council Chambers, at 6:30pm