PRESENT: Tom Atkins  
Chuck Baroch  
Hillary Mizia  
Scott Morissey  
Gunter Ritter  
Karen Smith

ABSENT: Susan Buhr

STAFF: Anne Beierle, Deputy Director Env/Utilities  
Theresa Worsham, Sustainability Coordinator  
Denise Hish, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER – BUSINESS MEETING:

Tom Atkins, Chair, called the business meeting to order at 6:35.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Agenda was approved as written.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 17, 2010:

Karen requested that the location (Urad Reservoir, located West of Empire, Colorado) of the anemometer results be added to the minutes. Minutes were unanimously approved with the one change.

STAFF UPDATE:

Trash program – the City has recently been contacted by a couple of HOA’s and they may be joining the program when their contracts are up. Mesa Meadows should be starting in January (+100) and Stonebridge (+300) is also thinking of joining. The City has also been hearing from other municipalities (Arvada) and they have not put out an RFP. Wheat Ridge put trash on the ballot and their citizens voted it down. Golden is helping out with questions.

Community Solar Gardens is moving forward and we are starting to get bids back.

Shop Local is gaining momentum.
Parks Recycling is moving forward and the recycling containers are being manufactured now and we will put in Parks city-wide.

Garden in a box – They were very happy with what the City did last year with including other things in the fair that they are going to lower the cost to the City and expand the program to include irrigation and are considering training and education for us at the community center.

BOARD UPDATES:

Chuck – Solar panels were recently put on the Golden Hotel. Theresa saw a press release and said it stated that 160 panels saves 43,647 kW hours. CSM is moving forward with RFP’s to put solar on the field house.

Sustainability award applications are on-line; look for more information in the February Informer.

Hillary – alternative school in Golden. Will be having a community visioning session and would like as many people as possible attend. She will send an announcement of when and where soon and would be happy to have as many board members as possible attend.

Chuck – Civic Foundation Event, they handed out recycle bags at the event.

Tom – Announced that he was resigning from this Board, effective immediately. He is excited about the Community Solar Garden and doesn’t want any perception of impropriety with that and this Board. He is also becoming involved in the library system. Karen, Co-Chair will now step in as Chair. Karen anticipates that there will be periods (at least once a month) that she will not be available to attend meetings. She will need to rely heavily on a Co-Chair. Karen asked what the process would be and Theresa said we can discuss at the January 10 meeting. Everyone expressed their gratitude for Tom’s commitment and dedication that he has shown on this Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ACTION ITEMS:

A. 2011 CSAB Work Plan

The Board will finalize and submit a proposal to City Council for review of Board projects in 2011.
Once approved by this Board, Theresa will send along with a memo to Council. Council wants to meet with all Boards each year and we would probably meet March or April.

Hillary pointed out that the Mission Statement is not complete, as agreed in earlier meetings and Theresa agreed to correct it before going to Council. Chuck felt we should possibly prioritize the action plans prior to going to Council. There was discussion on what exactly the Work Plan means because Scott felt like adding everything to this was possibly too ambitious to try and accomplish. Tom and Karen felt that this is a Work Plan and as Theresa added….the Board intends to make progress on most of the strategies over the next year. Tom suggested we need to support the circulator bus under the alternative transportation area. Board agreed that Theresa should move forward with the document with changes discussed and send to Council.

B. Residential Energy Efficiency Project

The Board looked at next steps in a project to assist Golden homeowners in making energy efficiency upgrades of their existing homes.

Gunter looked at the Biden proposal and there was really not very much information in it, but he explained what he learned. Eagle County is one that is participating in the pilot program and it may be too late for Golden to participate. He asked Theresa to subscribe to it for updates on the pilot projects. Karen asked for the link so others could learn more; Theresa will email the website to the Board. Karen suggested that this could be a voluntary program and Scott suggested we include an education piece for realtors because MLS has agreed to start including sustainability in their listings. Theresa suggested that this could be a great education piece for the general population also so the next owner knows what they are purchasing. Gunter would like to attend some future Planning Commission meetings to discuss.

There is a program in Boulder that helps people that want to upgrade their homes. Boulder helps the homeowners as a concierge service like energy audit is finished and someone comes in to help you prioritize, find contractors, explain what to look for, etc. Chuck suggested that we have a local Realtor (Jim Smith possibly) come to discuss the key elements and regulations for selling a house.

Peter Ewers has completed a couple of energy audits so far and he should provide his report soon.

C. Sustainability efforts in the Quiznos Pro Challenge

The Board received an update on a volunteer committee effort that seeks to integrate zero-waste and sustainability principles into the August 2011 bike race hosted by Golden.

Theresa attended a symposium today at the Golden Hotel. She shared that she is now the Chair of a sustainability sub-committee that will meet every 2 weeks for the next several
months and then weekly. She added that is no budget for the sustainability portion of the event but she hopes find others to partner with. Karen asked what Theresa felt would be the Board's involvement. Theresa stated that she would foresee bringing ideas to this Board and may ask for financial support. Theresa also requested that she hoped some of the CSAB members could attend the meetings with her.

**ADJOURN:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

**NEXT MEETING:**

January 10th agenda:
- Annual report
- Chair election
- Local living economy – Hillary

Discussion about having a joint meeting with Planning Commission on February 16 instead of the normal CSAB February, 14th meeting. (should invite Shop Local Group and EDComm)