

**Minutes of the
SAUSALITO SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION**

**6:00 P.M. in the Conference Room at 420 LITHO STREET, SAUSALITO, CA
Thursday, January 8, 2009**

1. Call to Order at 6:00 pm.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Bill Ring, Monica Towers, Ray Gergus, Sue Currier, and Alix Spivack

Absent: Dane Faber, Rich Fortmann, and Ken Kurtzig

Visitor: Patty Swisshelm

3. Approval of the Agenda

4. M/S/P to approve the minutes of the December meeting.

5. Sausalito City Council Update

- A. Sewer Laterals – The article in the BCRS bill was reviewed. The article about sewer laterals was somewhat confusing had minor errors. The Tamalpias Valley program is proceeding apace. The sewer district is currently inspecting the Marin City area. An amendment to the program for the Marin City area will provide up to \$500,000 to help with any repairs that may be needed. In the program, individual property owners can receive either a 5-year loan or a grant of up to \$1000 as a shared-expense. Several Commissioners indicated that they hoped that the City would adopt a plan to inspect the mains and to strictly enforce the existing sewer lateral ordinance.

6. Bay Cities Refuse Services

- A. Budget – Commissioner Ring will prepare a draft budget for 2009.
- B. There has been no progress on the flyers. Commissioners Currier and Spivack will investigate.

7. Public Comment - None

8. Unfinished Business

- A. Outreach – Tabled to next month.
- B. Website – New greencycle schedule is on the website but the links are still not installed.
- C. Solar Panels – There has been a time extension for homeowners but reliable panels are still not available to the contractor. Commissioner Currier will look for a copy of the energy audit on City Hall that was performed in anticipation of the solar panes project. The intention is to determine if all the possible energy loss alleviations have been resolved.
- D. No Bottled Water Ordinance – Tabled to next month.
- E. ICLEI – Commissioner Ring reported that some progress had been made in resolving issues related to questionable data on fuel usage by the city.
- F. Green Expo for Sausalito – No information as Commissioner Faber was absent.
- G. Noise Ordinance – Tabled to next month.
- H. Worm Farming – Tabled for future action. Commissioner Currier will take responsibility

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to bring this item up at the appropriate time.

- I. Overwatering in city parks – Commissioner Gergus will investigate to determine the proper point of contact when overwatering is observed.
- J. Hazardous Waste – Tabled to next month.

9. New Business

- A. Newsletter topics for Commissioner Gergus.

10. Agenda for Next Month

- A. Budget
- B. Outreach
- C. Website
- D. Solar Panels
- E. No Bottled Water Ordinance
- F. Green Expo
- G. Noise Ordinance
- H. Overwatering
- I. Hazardous Waste

11. Adjournment at 7:00.

Newsletter Schedule:

January - Spivack
February - Gergus
March – Currier
April – Faber
May – Towers
June – Ring
July – Kurtzig
August – Fortmann