

**Minutes of the  
SAUSALITO SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION**

**6:30 P.M. in the Conference Room at 420 LITHO STREET, SAUSALITO, CA  
Thursday, December 10, 2009**

1. Call to Order at 6:30 pm.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Bill Ring, Monica Towers, Ray Gergus

BCRS – Kim Cristie

Sausalito - Mayor Jonathan Leone and Andrew Davidson – Planning Department.

Absent: Sue Carrier, Alix Spivack

3. Approval of the Agenda

4. M/S/P to approve the minutes of the November meeting as amended.

5. Sausalito City Council Update

A. Marin Clean Energy – The City Council will have a final vote on joining MCE on January 12, 2010.

B. BERST – A model ordinance is in publication. M/S/P The Commission, and Commissioners Ring, Gergus and Towers, in particular, will review it and pass on comments to city officials.

C. Solar Roof – Mr. Davidson announced that the solar roof construction is completed but has not been inspected by the City nor has the net-metering meter has been installed. There will be a page on the City website to show how much power is being generated. M/S/P that the Commission schedule a "Ribbon Cutting" ceremony when all the remaining steps are completed.

6. Bay Cities Refuse Services

A. E-Waste Program – The Commission reviewed the flyer and tasked Commissioner Ring to make the final arrangements with BCRS and ECS Refining. In addition to the flyers to be sent with the December bills, extra copies are to be delivered to Commissioners for further distribution to the library, service organizations, and news media.

B. Downtown Recycle Containers – M/S/P to distribute to the commission and any interested party a copy of the map submitted by former commissioner Michelle Yellen indicating areas of high concentration of uncollected waste.

C. Art Festival Waste Containers – There remains an issue that there are too few recycle containers. Further complicating the issue is that BCRS intends to do a full sort of all the waste on-site. In particular, it is intended to sort our food refuse for composting. The use of compostable beverage containers and "silverware" is also possible. Most of the issues had to be tabled. M/S/P Commissioner Ring will work with BCRS to get stickers for the recycle containers.

7. Public Comment. –None

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8. Unfinished Business

- A. Website Review – The webmaster agreed to present a new organization for the Sustainability web pages at the next meeting. Mayor Leone volunteered to talk to Mr. Redelings-MacDermott about making the initial link to Sustainability more prominent on the City's website.
- B. Budget – BCRC noted that the allocation of "Bottle Bill" money to BCRC will be very reduced in 2010. A new budget is to be formulated at the January meeting. Mayor Leone suggested that the commission prepare a budget request to the City by the March meeting of the City Council. Still at issue is the \$5,000. grant that remains unspent.
- C. Leaf Blower Ordinance – Tabled. Mayor Leone suggested that after we have a draft, it could be submitted to the council legislative committee. In the discussion, it was noted that a careful drafting would be needed to continue sidewalk cleaning in the downtown area.
- D. Composting Facility Visit – Tabled
- E. Confidential Roster – Commissioner Ring will distribute it as soon as the new commissioners can be added.
- F. Bottled Water Ordinance. – Passed by the City Council
- G. Plastic Bag Ordinance – Various issues related to this ordinance were discussed. It was agreed that more research is needed at the County as well as other-city levels. Commissioner Gergus will discuss the issue with the management of Molly Stone's Market. Commissioner Towers will contact the County.

9. New Business

- A. Periodic City Council Presentations – M/S/P to discontinue this policy and to only request time for issue-related communications.

10. Agenda for Next Month

- A. Mandatory Garbage Services
- B. Final attempt for a website review

11. Adjournment at 8:00.