City of Newberg Sustainability Committee Meeting Notes

Date: Tuesday, 03/2/09

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Engineering Conference Room

Participants: April Catan, Michele Faber, Denise Bacon, Sonja Johnson, Paul Chiu,

Jan Wolf , Lisa McMinn(GFU)

Project Updates:

David is working on the bike rack project and will have more information for us at the next meeting.

Recycling [bottle] caps- Sonja is working on contacting schools to see if bottle caps can be used for school projects. She is also working on bins. Update next month. Jan is looking into purchasing a technotrash box for recycling. (Note- this has been completed and is available outside his desk)

Group also discussed ink cartage recycling. What are different departments doing?

Sustainability Trail:

Paul and Michele are working on the sustainability trail. This will be a brochure (and on the website) list of all city (public) projects that show the city's commitment to sustainability efforts. The group brained stormed some projects that could possibly be part of the trail:

Storm drain conservation, parking lot on Hancock and Blaine, LEED buildings, Bioswale at animal shelter, Providence and golf course, roundabout, Compost, LED Lights, water reuse, Grass-crete, solar projects, Hess Creek, community gardens, Porous pavement.

o Commuter Challenge:

National Bike Week is coming up in May (although we would include walking and commuting). Group talked about a possible challenge between GF staff and City staff. We put this item on next month's agenda for further discussion.

o Recycling:

Sonja talked about other opportunities for recycling. <u>www.farwestfibers.com</u> and Styrofoam were discussed. Further investigation is required.

Other business:

David and Howard are meeting with PGE to talk about possible locations for car charging stations. There is a Sustainability Conference (APWA) June 8-10 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. If anyone is interested they should get in touch with Sonja.

Next Meeting:

Date: Tuesday, April 6th, 2010

Time: 2pm

Location: Engineering Conference Room