

**VILLAGE OF EPHRAIM
GREEN TIER AD-HOC COMMITTEE WORKING SESSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024 – 8:00 AM - 9996 WATER STREET**



Present: Jeff Lutsey, Michael McCutcheon, Bruce Nelson, Lane Methner, Jeff O’Keefe. and Cindy Nelson-Chair.

Guests: Kelsey Stone (EBC) and Tim Nelson.

Staff: Brent Bristol – Village Administrator and Kim Roberts – Deputy Clerk.

1. Working session to finalize the completion of the Green Tier Legacy Communities Supporting Actions Comparison Spreadsheet:

The Green Tier committee held a working session to complete the Green Tier Legacy Communities Support Action Comparison Spreadsheet. The committee reviewed the six (6) categories: Energy and Emissions, Transportation Systems, Land Use, Water Quality and Conservation, Solid Waste, and Health and Equity. Additional notes were added, narratives were worked on, and additional accomplishments were documented when needed.

The Committee created a list of goals for 2024:

- Water filling Stations.
- Energy audits on the main village buildings so that when remodels or new construction are considered there is information available to make changes while keeping sustainability in mind that would have the greatest impact.
 - Consider LEED guidelines during remodels or new construction.
- Magnets with information for tourists staying in lodging (Traditional or STR) to drop off non-perishable, leftover food to local food pantries when they depart the area.
- Battery collection.
- Educational signage for the Ephraim Wetlands. This would also fulfill one of the Bird City requirements.
- Pollinator Garden(s) – Potential sites included Moravia Point and/or in front of the Village Hall. Discussion included contacting the Door County Master Gardners Association and the Ridges Sanctuary for information on native plants and [community project](#) consideration.

Further discussion was held regarding getting information to the Physical Facilities and Utilities “PFU” Chair regarding pollinator gardens. C. Nelson noted that she would reach out to Meacham so that he has information as they consider the new contractor for Moravia Point who may be asked to come up with a new plan.

O’Keefe inquired if there would be any Wetland volunteer opportunities.

A discussion was held regarding tree plantings. J. Lutsey inquired if there were any areas of the Village where the Village would be interested in planting trees. C. Nelson inquired about the larger give (5) gallon tree opportunities because she had been contacted by interested parties.

2. Next meeting:

Next meeting date: Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 8:00 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM.

Recorded by, Kim Roberts – Deputy Clerk