

Sustainable Stillwater Minutes May 23, 2005 Meeting

Present: Cara Beer, Pete Earls, Ilda Hershey, Denny Hook.

Faces & Places of City Government – We will try to have the event again in February to coincide with Municipal Government Week.

Officers – Nominations are being taken for president and treasurer. Consider nominating yourself. Position descriptions are in our bylaws: www.oksustainability.org/bylaws_ss.htm.

Stillwater Recycling Guide – Added Cooper's Bicycle Center. They collect old bikes and together with the Red Dirt Pedalers, repair and donate them to needy children/families. Also, R&E Recycling has been added (scrap metals), and EcoPick-up. Ilda will provide Cara with 50 guides for Juneteenth.

Interpretive Nature Path Collaboration – The Stillwater League of Women Voters is considering using some of the gifts it received in memory of Helen Gorin toward educational signs that would be part of a nature trail in Hinrichs Park (near Western and 12th along Duck Creek). Sustainable Stillwater has offered support for the project by sponsoring application to the Kodak Greenways Grant program. Other collaborators may include Payne County Audubon, Boy Scouts, the City's Trails Task Force, and Park Planner. For more information about the proposed project, visit the LWV newsletter: www.lwvstillwater.org/publication.htm. There's a story and map in the May issue, pages 3 and 8.

Farmer's Market Festival Days – SustSTW will display educational materials and recycling materials/games on Saturday, July 16 and Saturday, October 1 from 8 a.m. until noon at the Stillwater Farmer's Market. Please contact Ilda if you can volunteer for one or two hours.

Sustainable Stillwater Structure and Future Plans – Discussion continued regarding having quarterly rather than monthly business meetings and developing committees that would carry out specific projects, events, or forums. Cara volunteered to spearhead the Faces & Places of City Government event again next year. We set as an objective to have a schedule of activities in place for the next academic year by this fall. Please send ideas for activities that you may want to work on to Ilda or Scott.

Next SustSTW Meeting – The next business meeting will take place on the evening of Monday, June 27 (time and location to be advised).