

**Minutes of Committee #4
Recycling/Computerization/Building/Intergovernmental Services
Thursday, January 25, 2007**

Present: Greg Dachel, Dan Elsass, Greg Hoffman, Ralph Anderl, Richard Merrell, Ron Strasburg, Allan Schlaugat, Christine Haun, Jim Paterick, Todd Chevrier; John Liddell, Rosemary Kilbridge

The Meeting was called to order at 07:00 pm.

1. Update on 2006 City Recycling Program usage.

The recycling program has had 14.23% increase in tonnage from 2004 to 2006. This is tremendous.

Jim believes the growth could be even higher if the citizens would realize this can be a cost saving buy having less garbage by recycling.

Jim is seeing the need for more and or larger cart containers.

The number of homes has been growing over the last couple years so there is more addresses for Jim to pick up. He is estimating 282 more address but Dan thought that was a little high. This topic and the potential of gas price increase (inflation) should be addressed during the next round of contract negotiations.

Jim would like to add agenda items in future meetings to discuss improving the recycling program.

No Action taken.

2. Potential action on connecting City Hall to Chippewa County IS through fiber optic network.

By connecting to the fiber optic network the City and County can have dedicated fiber between the buildings at no normal operational cost. There may be a question on who would be responsible for a repair if needed. (fiber breaks are fairly rare) There are alternate methods to connect to the county (VPN over the internet) that should be investigated. The biggest advantage of the fiber is extremely high bandwidth and security issues. This would enable the city to share internet bandwidth, backup across buildings, shared services (e.g. financial system, land/building records) in the future.

Further information to be presented in the January 31st meeting with CESA 10 and CF School District at 5pm in room 108 in the county courthouse.

No Action taken.

Motion: Greg H/Greg D all voted aye to move up item #5

5. Discussion on website redesign and training.

The committee believes the City website needs to be completely revamped. Things such as consistent look and feel, training, and content will need to be addressed.

Motion: Greg H/Greg D all voted aye to recommend to the common council that we reconstitute the City staff computer technology committee to review the website redesign and training needs and bring back to Committee 4 their recommendations with-in two months period.

3. Discussion on creation of standard e-mail templates and “brands” for city departments.

Motion: Greg H/Greg D all voted aye to recommend to the Common Council that we refer the branding template to the reconstituted computer and technology committee for its recommendations.

4. Status report on transfer of Cray Computer Collection to the Museum of Technology and Industry Board of Directors.

The museum board and city have both reviewed and signed off the document. The document still needs to be delivered to SGI for its legal department to review and sign off.

It was reviewed and concluded that the Museum couldn't sell the artifacts in the future if the City relinquishes its control to the board.

No Action taken.

6. Adjournment.

Motion. Greg H/Ralph all voting aye to adjourn at 08:37 pm.

**Minutes submitted by
Greg Dachel, Committee Chair.**