

The Village of Howard, Wisconsin

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE VILLAGE OF HOWARD, WISCONSIN

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-08

“Recognizing 2011 Green Recognition Program Award Recipients”

WHEREAS, the Village of Howard’s Go Green Save Green Taskforce established the Green Recognition Program in December 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Green Recognition Program recognizes Howard businesses and homeowners for their green efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Howard and the Go Green Save Green Taskforce encourage residents and businesses to do their part to help save the environment; and

WHEREAS, Green Recognition Program winners are recognized every Earth Day; and

WHEREAS, the Village is proud of the green efforts and accomplishments by Howard businesses and homeowners and recognizes them as eco-friendly partners;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Howard, Brown County, Wisconsin, hereby recognizes the following 2011 Green Recognition Program Award Recipients:

- **Comfort Suites/Rock Garden/1951 West, 1951 Bond Street**
 - All three arms of this thriving business have been operating under an energy management plan that started in the 1990s and dictates that any time equipment is replaced, it is done so only with energy-efficient and cost-saving models. The following other measures also have been implemented.
 - A \$20,000 project in 1993 to convert the hotel and restaurant lighting.
 - A \$15,000 project in 1996 to replace the boiler.
 - The Green Guest Program, which allows guests to reuse towels and bedding if staying more than one day and which also provides in-room recycling containers.
 - The installation of a Creston Energy management system that controls 15 rooftop heating and cooling units and two makeup air units and automatically switches off all the lights, heat and sound in a room with the touch of one button.
 - An energy management system that puts heating units into unoccupied mode when no one is in the room.
 - The installation of water-saving nozzles on sinks and shower heads in all of the hotel rooms.
 - The replacement of pool lights.

- **Gander Mountain, 2323 Woodman Drive**
 - Gander Mountain completed a total lighting fixture upgrade and fluorescent lamp wattage reduction in July 2010. The project included replacing 83 400-watt halide fixtures that were located over the apparel pad with six lamp T8 fluorescent fixtures. The store also relamped the remaining balance of 32-watt fluorescent lights throughout the store with 25-watt lamps. This resulted in the following benefits:
 - Energy savings of over 65% with the new fixtures
 - Reduced wattage of over 20% by going to 25-watt fluorescent lamps
 - Increased light levels of over 30% over the apparel pad
 - Realized better light quality and distribution
 - Decreased maintenance expenses

- **Olsen's Piggly Wiggly, 2465 Lineville Road**
 - Olsen's Piggly Wiggly has implemented many ecofriendly features in the areas of waste reduction, energy efficiency, cleaner water and its Buy Local program through the following measures:
 - Providing plastic bag recycle bins, giving customers a 5-cent refund for each grocery bag they reuse for their grocery order and rewarding customers with a 5-cent refund if they use reusable shopping bags
 - Recycling all cardboard, cans, bottles and office paper generated in the operation of the store
 - Recycling used cooking oil from the kitchen to a trucking company that uses it to power its vehicles
 - Donating all slightly bruised produce and day-old bakery to local food pantries
 - Donating all the produce trimmings to the NEW Zoo for animal feeding
 - Implementing a heat reclaim system, which pulls heat off the compressor that runs all of the coolers and freezers and uses it to provide heat and hot water for the store
 - Installing an energy management system that controls all the lighting, heating and cooling and adding motion detecting sensors for lights in the offices, break room and restrooms
 - Retrofitting frozen food door cases with LED lighting and metal halide light fixtures with induction lighting
 - Replacing dairy multi-deck open coolers with upright dairy displays that use roughly 84% less energy
 - Installation of a biofiltration system for parking lot storm water runoff
 - Buying as much product as possible from local farmers and suppliers and using local contractors to construct the store addition

- **Sanimax, 2099 Shawano Ave.**
 - Sanimax offers a range of by-product collection services, as well as specialized maintenance for the restaurant industry. Sanimax also has created an energy division that produces and markets clean, renewable bio-based fuels. The company also works with businesses across the Midwest to collect organic food waste that normally would go to landfill. The food waste is diverted to more sustainable options such as animal feed, compost and bio-digestion. Through the bio-digestion process:
 - Raw material is fed into an anaerobic digester
 - The methane gas is captured and turned into boiler fuel, electricity and natural gas
 - The water and digestate are separated. The water is used for irrigation or treated and discarded as waste water.
 - The digestate is recycled into organic fertilizer, animal bedding or land spreading.
- Through Sanimax's efforts, at least 200 tons of material is recycled EACH WEEK. This Zero-Waste Initiative began in March 2010 and has expanded to include material from 178 stores in four states.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Go Green Save Green Taskforce has evaluated all 2011 Green Recognition Program participants and has selected Sanimax as the 2011 Green Business of the Year because of its implementation of a Zero-Waste Initiative and its use of innovative technology to reduce negative environmental impacts related to doing business. The Go Green Save Green Taskforce believes Sanimax exemplifies a commitment to saving the environment.

IN THE TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal for the Village of Howard, Wisconsin to be affixed on this 25th day of April, 2011.

Burt R. McIntyre
Village President

Bob Bartelt
Village Administrator/Clerk