

## ENVIRONMENTAL, CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

6510 Shallowford Road – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room

February 14, 2023 – 6:30 PM

- I. **Call to Order** – Chair Smitherman called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM. In attendance were Kay Smitherman, Chelsea Blount, Jennifer Haydon, Barbara Hudgens, Melody Joyner, Gretchen Roberts, Town Manager James Ayers and Public Works Director Jon Hanna. Jonathan Linck, Emily Price, and Robert Smitherman were absent.
- II. **Agenda Approval** – Barbara Hudgens moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Melody Joyner and motion approved unanimously.
- III. **Approval of Minutes** – Chelsea Blount moved to approve the January 10, 2023 minutes. The motion was seconded by Barbara Hudgens and motion approved unanimously.
- IV. **Old Business**
  - a. Energy initiative with schools – Nothing to report.
  - b. TerraCycle – Ms. Hudgens shared the final recycling insert that includes the special recycling events. The insert will be in the March/April newsletter. Twenty pounds of the pots/pans collection was shipped to Terracycle. Gerber brand items were shipped, without weight limit, as well due to a special promotion. Ms. Hudgens plans to redeem the points so payment can be sent to Lewisville Elementary School.
  - c. 2023 LED (Lewisville Earth Day)
    1. Subcommittee – Area will be coned off the day before. It is not felt Sheriff's deputies will be needed. A participation count will try to be taken at the Terracycle table when people pick up their free LED bulb.
    2. Special Recycling event – Committee members will be designated to collect the recycling items.
    3. Vendors – The committee needs to determine the flow to ensure all vendors are seen. Vendors must commit to staying for the entire event. Vendors who want to sell items need to get permission from the Town Manager. Thank you bags will be given to the vendors.
    4. Layout – A great deal of discussion was held related to the layout. The DJ and yoga will be done from the gazebo.
    5. Communication – Consistent communication is needed. The Town will advertise in newsletter, social media, etc. Ms. Roberts is going to see if Lewisville Elementary School will help promote the event.
    6. LED bulbs – Three hundred bulbs will be ordered to be given out at the Terracycle table and the special recycling collection area. Bulbs will be limited to one per person.
    7. Sign – A sign will be developed to help promote the LED event as well as the Special Recycling event.
  - d. Waste Management grant ideas – Ms. Blount shared two proposals for the Waste Management grant – solar charging stations or water bottle filling stations at Shallowford Square. Ms. Hudgens suggested a recycling drop off area for Terracycle and special recycling collections. Education would be key to make this successful. *(Ms. Blount's presentation is included with the minutes.)*
  - e. 2023-2024 Budget requests - The committee's budget requests will be the same as in the past with the inclusion of funds for an annual LED (Lewisville Earth Day).
- V. **Clerk Report**
  - a. Cardboard recycling
    - i. Four hauls were collected but one was contaminated. The three hauls collected 4,500 pounds of cardboard or 2.25 tons. The cardboard was sold, and proceeds credited to the Town at \$20/ton.

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- ii. Carolina Disposal Service charges \$120/haul plus \$40 fuel surcharge.

4 Hauls @\$160 each	\$640.00
Landfill charge for contaminated haul	\$ 64.86
Proceeds from sale of cardboard	\$ (45.00)
Net cost to the Town	\$659.86

**VI. For the Good of the Order**

- a. Ms. Smitherman will be discussing with the Beautification Committee Chair about the possibility of partnering with them on a litter sweep event.
- b. Next regularly scheduled meeting: **March 14, 2023**

**VII. Adjournment** – Having no further business to discuss, Barbara Hudgens moved to adjourn at 7:40 PM. The motion was seconded by Melody Joyner and motion approved unanimously.

ATTEST:

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Kay Smitherman, Chair

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Dora K. Moore, Town Clerk