



ENVIRONMENTAL, CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
Town Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room
June 10, 2025 – 6:00 PM

- I. Call to Order** – Chair Kay Smitherman called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. In attendance were Kay Smitherman, Kenneth Scales, Chelsea Blount, Jennifer Hayden, Barbara Hudgens, Robert Smitherman, Public Works Director Jon Hanna, Town Clerk Angie Lord, and guest Logan Hollifield. Gretchen Roberts and Henry Fasler were absent.
- II. Agenda Approval** – Robert Smitherman moved to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Kenneth Scales and approved unanimously.
- III. Approval of Minutes** – Barbara Hudgens moved to approve the minutes of May 13, 2025. Motion was seconded by Jennifer Hayden and approved unanimously.

Chair Smitherman recognized Ms. Blount for an announcement regarding resignation from the committee. Discussion ensued regarding an informal committee gathering and a special speaker at the next meeting.

IV. Old Business

- a. Earth Day review
 - 1. Finalize Vendor survey – Changes discussed to final survey to be sent out to include spelling out the Mary Alice Warren Community Center from MAWCC, addressing the survey to “Dear Earth Day Participants”, the email will be sent from the committee, Town Clerk Angie Lord with assist with the final drafting of the survey to include the Town logo, and the change the special recycling event time to 10 AM – 2 PM. Public Works Director Hanna will update banners with the correct time.
- b. Energy audit update – Since Ms. Blount and Jon Linck (former ECSC member) are moving, it was consensus of the committee that an energy audit be completed by a company. Ms. Blount will research recommendations. Discussion took place regarding members engaging firms to do the audit. The committee will seek assistance from George Santucci (a guest speaker for the July committee meeting) for recommendations of firms who perform audits.
- c. Reclaimed items event – The committee decided to table the reclaimed items (gear swap) event and discussed hosting a Repair Café instead. Location and date options were discussed with a possibility of the Galloway building and holding the event on the same day as the October recycle event.

V. New Business

- a. May 28 Collaboration and Appreciation update – Mr. Scales shared conversations with The Beautification committee and planting, green infrastructure, pollinator gardens, etc. collaborations.
- b. 2026 Community event discussion – Town Clerk Lord provided information regarding the scope of a 2026 Community Day event with a spring time goal and informed the committee they should think of nomination of one member to sit on a sub-committee/steering committee. The committee discussed potential collaboration with the Public Arts Committee for an art project with collected recycled materials and various participation ideas that included the following: host vendors and recycling, a repair café, a gear swap.



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- c. Foam collection (related to the special recycling event) – Mr. Scales discussed foam condenser machine cost, highlighted what other organizations do with condensed foam, and stated the place the committee

has used previous lost federal funding and would no longer be able to support quantities collected in the past.

VI. Staff Reports

- a. Town staff will be advertising in the upcoming July newsletter for the ECSC vacant positions.

VII. For the Good of the Order

- a. Next meeting: July 8, 2025
 - i. Guest speaker – George Santucci

VIII. Adjournment – Having no further business to discuss Robert Smitherman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 P.M. The motion was seconded by Barbara Hudgens and motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Kay Smitherman, Chair

Angela Lord, Town Clerk