



ENVIRONMENTAL, CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
Town Hall Conference Room 201
November 12, 2024 – 6:00 PM

- I. **Call to Order** – Chair Smitherman called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. In attendance were Kay Smitherman, Chelsea Blount, Jennifer Haydon, Barbara Hudgens, Gretchen Roberts, Kenneth Scales, Robert Smitherman and Public Works Director Jon Hanna. Henry Fansler was absent.

Town Planner Lynn Cochran and Logan Hollifield, Lewisville native and UNC Greensboro were also in attendance.

- II. **Agenda Approval** – Robert Smitherman moved to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Barbara Hudgens and approved unanimously.
- III. **Approval of Minutes** – Ken Scales moved to approve the October 8, 2024 minutes. Motion was seconded by Gretchen Roberts and approved unanimously.

IV. **Old Business**

- a. Special Recycling event
1. Styrofoam – Goin’ Postal no longer accepts the Styrofoam peanuts. Habitat for Humanity on Peters Creek Parkway will accept the Styrofoam peanuts for shipping. This will be noted for the next recycling event. The committee will contact Reconsidered Goods in Greensboro to inquire if they will set up a trailer next to the cardboard recycling trailer at Christmas.
 2. Education – The committee will list recycling resources that can be utilized by the community between recycling events.
- b. Earth Day – April 12, 2025, 9 AM-2 PM
1. Gear Swap – The committee brainstormed on potential organizations that may assist with a gear swap. Ms. Blount will contact REI and some other organizations.
 2. Vendor participation – The committee was updated on committed and potential vendors. Possible new vendors includes Reconsidered Goods and The Art SHAC.
 3. Children’s Activities
 - i. Enviroscape – Mr. Hanna will determine if the Town has one that can be used during the event. If not, Ms. Blount will inquire with the Forsyth County Cooperative Extension.
 - ii. Smokey the Bear – Ms. Roberts will inquire about availability.
 - iii. Bird feeder – A bird feeder making station could be set up. Toilet paper tubes can be used. Mr. Hanna noted the Town has some feeder dishes that can be attached to 2 liter bottles.

V. **New Business**

- a. Proposed initiatives to meet energy goals in Resolution 2023-051 – There was nothing to discuss at this time.

VI. **Staff Reports**

- a. Mr. Hanna reported on the ecological restoration held at Mary Alice Warren Community Center, whereby the nature trails and goose mitigation turned native habitat were viewed.



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- b. On December 14, 9AM-Noon, sixty trees need to be planted at Jack Warren Park. Mr. Hanna is inviting all board and committee members to participate. He also updated the committee on the progress of the PARTF project at the park.
- c. Mr. Hanna stated it is too late to pursue solar street lighting for the Great Wagon Road. He shared information from Fronroche that might be future consideration for street lighting.

VII. For the Good of the Order

- a. Next meeting: January 14, 2025
- b. There will be no December meeting. A holiday get-together will be held at Ms. Haydon's home on December 10 at 6 PM.
- c. Ms. Hudgens will be shipping three boxes to Terracycle of which one box is Gillette razors. Terracycle will not pay for shipping so Ms. Hudgens will request reimbursement of shipping charges from the Town. She noted that Terracycle only accepts specific brands of pumps and this cannot be determined because the bottles are being recycled in curbside bins.
- d. Mr. Scales expressed a desire to be more proactive and take ideas to Council.

VIII. Adjournment – Having no further business to discuss, Chelsea Blount moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 PM. The motion was seconded by Gretchen Roberts and motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Kay Smitherman, Chair

Dora K. Moore, Town Clerk