

# Agenda

## Joint Green Efforts Committee

May 4, 2021  
Online Web Conference  
7:00 p.m.

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### Telephone Call in Information:

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- A. **Call to Order**
- B. **Public Comment** – please use the raise hand function to indicate that you have a public comment.
- C. **Presentations**
- D. **Administrative**
  - 1. To Approve the March 2, 2021 meeting minutes
  - 2. To Approve the April 6, 2021 meeting minutes
- E. **Public Education Goal**
  - 1. Annual Clean Up Day
- F. **Sustainable CT Goal**
  - 1. Goal #1 Equity Tool Kit
  - 2. Cover letter examples
  - 3. EV event discussion
- G. **Waste Reduction Goal**
  - 1. Simple Recycling update
- H. **Board of Education Goal**
- I. **Other**
  - 1. FHS Building Project
  - 2. Date of June meeting

### J. **Adjournment**

cc: Kathy Blonski, Town Manager  
Russ Arnold, Director of Public Works / Town Engineer  
Paula Ray, Town Clerk  
Kathy Greider, Superintendent of Schools  
Ellen Siuta, Board of Education  
Sam Kilpatrick, Director of School Facilities  
Shannon Rutherford, Assistant Town Planner

**Minutes  
Joint Green Efforts Committee**

**March 2, 2021  
Online Wed Conference  
7:00 p.m.**

**In Attendance:**

Patti Boye-Williams - Chair  
Stacey Petruzella  
Sylvie Binette  
Jennifer Wynn  
Chris Fagan  
Cate Grady Benson  
Levi Whitcomb  
Erica Robertson, Assistant Town Manager  
Sam Kilpatrick, BOE Facilities Director

**Call to Order**

The chair called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Presentations**

None

**K. Administrative**

1. To Approve the Feb 2, 2021 meeting minutes

Upon a motion made and seconded (Petruzella /Whitcomb) it was unanimously voted: to approve the Feb 2, 2021 meeting minutes. All in favor; approved.

The committee welcomed new member Levi Whitcomb. Introductions were made and Levi told the group that Water Conservation is an area of interest for him.

**L. Public Education Goal**

1. Annual Clean Up Day- April 24, 2021 will be the Clean Up Day. Short report and brief history for Levi Whitcomb. Marketing of the event is now on the website and the Sign Up Genius is now live.
2. Explore Farmington –No report
3. Green Efforts Newsletter –No report

**M. Sustainable CT Goal**

1. Review of the tasks and some allocation of work was completed.
  - Tasks
    - Natural Resource Wildlife 3.5 – Jennifer Wynn
    - Watershed/– Cate Grady Benson
    - Stacy – to connect with Shannon on invasive species.
    - Talk to Bruce Cyr about Bicycle Friendly
    - Land Trust – March 11 Panel Discussion on Regenerative Farming.
    - Find a category for Recycling Event at the Library for credit.

- Can we get credit for Clean Up Day and Haz Waste Collection and Electronics Recycling.
- Anti idling - Sam and Cate (10.3.4)
- Tourism – Chris
- Water conservation – Levi
- Equity Coach -Patti

**N. Waste Reduction Goal**

1. Composting discussion - no discussion  
Simple Recycling update – We are averaging about 2 tons a month of collections.

**O. Board of Education Goal – on hold**

**P. Adjournment**

Upon a motion made and seconded (Wynn/ Fagan) it was unanimously voted: to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

**Minutes**  
**Joint Green Efforts Committee**  
**April 6, 2021**  
**Online Wed Conference**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**In Attendance:**

Patti Boye-Williams - Chair  
Stacey Petruzella  
Chris Fagan  
Cate Grady Benson

**Absent**

Sylvie Binette  
Jennifer Wynn  
Levi Whitcomb

Erica Robertson, Assistant Town Manager

**Q. Call to Order**

The chair called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**R. Public Comment**

None.

**s. Presentations**

None

**T. Administrative**

1. To Approve the March 2, 2021 meeting minutes  
No Quorum was present – tabled.

**U. Public Education Goal**

1. Annual Clean Up Day- April 24, 2021. Short report. Marketing of the event is ongoing and the Sign-Up Genius for volunteers has most signups taken. We are also getting clean up teams to sign up. New stickers for the signs have been ordered and are in. Signs should be placed the weekend of the 10<sup>th</sup>. Dump Trucks will be weighed by Highway & Grounds pre- and post-cleanup to track tonnage. T shirts are still available and will be given to volunteers etc.

**V. Sustainable CT Goal**

1. Review of the tasks and some allocation of work was completed.  
March was busy for staff. Limited progress was made but information was gathered on trash as well as biking. Cate will forward information on the Land trust event, which was very successful. Patti reported on her findings on the equity goal. We must review the Equity Tool Kit closely. Old Lyme is a great town to model. They had a very good submission.  
A joint meeting with the Racial Equality Task Force will be requested. Erica will work on scheduling the meeting. Erica and Patti will begin meeting every other week to keep the work moving. Others can join if they wish. It will be workday meetings, most likely around the lunch hours so members can pop in if they wish. These will not be official meetings.

**W. Waste Reduction Goal**

1. Simple Recycling update –No report. Data has not come for March.

**x. Board of Education Goal – on hold**

**Y. Adjournment** The meeting ended 7:36 p.m.