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Minutes

Joint Green Efforts Committee

April 5, 2022

Online Zoom Conference

7:00 p.m.

Voting Members

In Attendance:

Johnny Carrier, Chair

Patti Boye-Williams

Cate Grady-Benson

Stacey Petruzella

John Vibert

Jennifer Wynn

Non-Voting Members

Shannon Rutherford, Town Planner

Garrett Daigle, Assistant Town Planner

Absent:

Levi Whitcomb

Sam Kilpatrick, BOE Facilities Director

Guest:

- A. **Call to Order** -The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
- B. **Public Comment**- none
- C. **Presentation**- None
- D. **Administrative / Communications**
 - 1. Grady-Benson/ Boye-Williams / 5-0, –March 1, 2022, meeting minutes as presented.
(Jennifer Wynn arrived following the vote)
- E. **Public Education Goal**
 - 1. Anti-Idling: Cate Grady-Benson, Shannon Rutherford, and Garrett Daigle met at West Wood's School with Rep. Mike Demicco, Fancie Brown Holmes, Alicia Bowman, as well as the Principal and Assistant Principal to review and vote on the Anti-Idling posters that the students worked on. At the school, Tara Vazquez

shared some of the research the students have done on how long vehicles were idling in the morning and evening. The group evaluated the posters and selected 8 to be turned into signs. Cate Grady Benson stated that the town has also received signs from DEEP.

2. Action Items:
 - 1) Sam and Cate to continue to follow up with Tara Vazquez at Westwood's School.

F. Waste Reduction Goal

1. Simple Recycling update
 - 1) In February, two tons of textiles were recycled, going forward, staff will update the committee on a quarterly basis
2. Discuss 2022 Clean Up Day April 23, 2022
 - 1) Stacey Petruzella shared that the sign-up website is live, the information for the clean-up is on the town website and will be in the spring edition of the town newsletter. Stacey will share the information about the clean up on social media.
 - 2) The committee requested that staff make a few changes to the posting on the website.
 - 3) Stacey Petruzella requested that committee members register for site supervisor times, she will be at Irving A. Robbins to supervise the town rummage sale
 - 4) Cate Grady-Benson will post signs around town to remind residents of the clean-up and the rummage sale.
 - 5) Johnny Carrier was able to obtain two \$100 gift cards to Wood-and-Tap for the heaviest haul competition.
 - 6) Stacey Petruzella asked about including residential composting companies, staff will look into reaching out to composting companies in the state.
3. Discussion on Composting
 - 1) Staff is looking into the cost of residential composting, no other updates at this time.

G. Other Business

1. Discussion on EV Charging Station
 - 1) Staff updated the commission on the status of the Electric Vehicle Charger. The towns electrician is evaluating the capacity of the existing power supply at the Town Hall and the Staples House.
 - 2) Cate Grady-Benson asked if an EV charger is included in the High School construction plans, Johnny Carrier will mention it to the High School Building Committee
2. By-Laws Update



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- 1) Boye-williams/Petruzella/ 6-0, - Amend by-laws to have Johnny Carrier as Chairperson, and Garrett Daigle as recording secretary.
 3. The commission had a discussion on return to in-person meetings, staff is still working with the IT department to establish a hybrid meeting setup, staff will update the commission in May.
- H. **Adjournment** – Grady-Benson/ Petruzella, all – to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm