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Minutes

Joint Green Efforts Committee

April 2nd, 2024

Online Zoom Conference

7:00 p.m.

Voting Members

In Attendance:

Amy Palumbo, Chair
Stacey Petruzella
Jennifer Wynn
John Vibert

Jayapriya Krishnaswamy
Brie Quinby

Absent:

Talia Stigliano
Martin Skelly
Cate Grady Benson

Non-Voting Members:

Garrett Daigle, Assistant Town Planner
Sam Kilpatrick, BOE Facilities Director

Absent:

- A. **Call to Order** –Amy Palumbo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- B. **Public Comment**- none
- C. **2024 Town Wide Clean-Up**
 - 1. The Committee discussed the clean-up day.
 - 1) Stacey Petruzella has begun placing signs around town, John Vibert and Brie Quinby volunteered to place additional signs on their properties and around town. Amy Palumbo will also place one at her business property.
 - 2) Outreach
 - 1. Stacey is also working on the flyer to be sent out and posted on the town website, and through Explore Farmington. Garrett Daigle can have them printed at Town Hall and Amy Palumbo offered to pick them up.
 - 2. Sam Kilpatrick will review if the clean-up can be included in the Friday Folder for the Board of Education.
 - 3. Garrett will reach out to Miss Porters School to notify them of the clean-up day.
 - 3) The committee discussed scheduling a special meeting for Thursday April 18th, Garrett will confirm that the Town Council room will be available that evening.
 - 4) Stacey requested that committee members sign up for table hosting shifts to ensure experienced members are present at the stations.

D. Presentation- None

E. Administrative

1. Quinby/Wynn 6-0, to approve the March 5th, 2024, meeting minutes as presented.

F. Public Education Goal

1. Summer Newsletter:
 - 1) The committee discussed creating a list of potential articles, such as black plastics not being recyclable, and select one for each newsletter throughout the year. The committee will discuss in May.
 - 2) The committee also discussed reaching out to businesses through the Economic Development newsletter to businesses to notify business owners regarding the inability to recycling black plastic containers, and exploring alternate options.

G. Waste Reduction Goal

1. West Wood Composting Program
 - 1) Sam Kilpatrick provided Garrett with an update from Tara Vazquez. The program began Monday April 2nd. Students at West Woods spent two weeks studying trash in their science classes. Each collection station will have 2 student leaders.
2. Senate Bill 191 – Update
 - 1) Garrett shared that the bill has made it out of the Environmental Committee and been referred to the Office of Fiscal Analysis.
3. Discussion on Littering Signs/Adopt-A-Road
 - 1) No update at this time, Garrett will redistribute the research he has done for review of the committee. Garrett requests that the committee be prepared to discuss at the May meeting, following the completion of the Town Wide Clean Up Day.

H. Other Business

1. The committee discussed returning to in-person/hybrid meetings and will begin at the May 7th meeting.

I. Adjournment – Quinby/Wynn, 6-0 – to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm