



# TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

## ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

### NOTICE OF MEETING

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE | WASTE REDUCTION SUBCOMMITTEE

September 12, 2023, | 7:30 p.m.

Via Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81060712359?pwd=OEN5Z3AvM0xBeEZ4MGNDTUx1YldNQOT09>

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ITEM 1: Call to Order (7:34 pm)

ITEM 2: Public Participation: None

ITEM 3: Approval of meeting notes, August

ITEM 4: School waste reduction initiatives

1. Food rescue at Walton and Greenwood going well
2. Lillian going to Dolbeare on Wed to assist, Tiana going Thurs, Christina going Fri (lunch hours 11:30-1:30)
3. Melissa talked to Tim O'Brien about composting at other schools. Going to wait until we're settled into school routines to talk to principals
4. Melissa to contact Dustin about recycling at Galvin. We need to understand what items are actually recyclable in school cafeteria.
5. We will have new student liaisons at the high school soon who can hopefully help with recycling there. Melissa to look into filling student liaison position and if there are any age requirements (could we have one at Galvin too?)

ITEM 5: Green Business Program

1. We plan to promote the program at town day on Oct 7.
  - a. Can collect business cards from businesses that are interested in participating
2. Will discuss next steps/go-live date for program during Sept 26<sup>th</sup> meeting with town officials
3. Discussed how to educate local businesses on how to get started being a green business
  - a. Could be via a webinar? Could possibly be a handout?
  - b. Need help finding someone who can assist with education for this/serve as an advisor



- c. Melissa contacted Green Restaurant Association but hasn't heard back – they could be a good source of info for this

ITEM 6: Matters not anticipated

1. Tiana had contacted health department again regarding recycling at buildings. Rep there is checking with the board of health about ability to enforce rules around building recycling.

ITEM 7: Next Meeting: October 18, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm