

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MEETING ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE | WASTE REDUCTION SUBCOMMITTEE June 28, 2023 | 7:30 p.m. Via Zoom: : https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81210477385?pwd=ZjJ3dWE0UmUvNnFLMXpZNzJoMHMzZz09

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Attendees: Melissa Eusden, Tiana Veldwisch, Christina Olivieri, Lillian Dunlap

ITEM 1: Call to Order (7:31 pm)

ITEM 2: Public Participation – None.

ITEM 3: Approval of meeting notes, May – Approved.

ITEM 4: School waste reduction initiatives

- 1. Food rescue began at the Dolbeare school for final 2 weeks of school year and was successfully implemented. Some logistics details will need to be confirmed in the Fall when school resumes.
- 2. Composting services are in the school facilities budget for the 2023-24 school year, likely with a staggered rollout to the schools, beginning with those who were composting in Spring 2023.
- 3. Food rescue volunteers report that the process was smooth, particularly with several volunteers to share the effort. There is continued need to coordinate with lunch room staff. We will likely also need fresh signs.
- 4. We will try again to start recycling at the Galvin in the Fall, ideally with student engagement.

ITEM 5: Multifamily recycling

1. Tiana to follow up with Health Dept & Board of Health on their thoughts as far as if we should do a bylaw or BOH regulation, no updates since last meeting.

ITEM 6: Green business program

1. Review of Green Business programs in other towns and cities, discussion of point system and qualifying criteria. Certification to last 2 or 3 years.



- 2. Reward for participation can include stickers to display in store and/or logo to use in their websites or other materials, social posts by ESC, other promotion through town communications. Christina to draft logo and sticker options for review by subcommittee and Jenn McDonald.
- 3. ESC to provide guidance where possible on green products alternatives for takeout containers, cleaning products, etc.
 - i. Process to verify participant qualification could be a survey for which criteria the business satisfies. Tiana to investigate if there is an existing app that could be used (or created). Christina to develop survey of criteria and point system as discussed, for review at next meeting.
- 4. Subcommittee to review proposal with Erin Kolkinda, Jenn McDonald, and Chamber of Commerce for feedback before launching.

ITEM 7: Matters not anticipated – None.

ITEM 8: Next Meeting: July 19, 2023

Adjourned 8:40pm