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Greenwich Sustainability and Enhancement Committee

Thursday, May 7, 2020

11:00 AM

Virtual Meeting - <https://greenwichct.zoom.us/j/92766745817?pwd=VjhiUUlvcUd2NFFhTy80dVlzM0dLQT09>

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Minutes
 - a. Approval of March 5, 2020 meeting minutes
 - b. Approval of April 16, 2020 meeting minutes
3. Vote on GSEC Organizational Chart
4. Status Updates and Discussion of Next Steps
 - Earth Day recap – Pat
 - Reusables project in public schools - Julie
 - Waste reduction programs – Pat and Julie
 - Transportation subcommittee - Aleks
5. Next Steps
 - Energy Options
 - Outreach to Planning & Zoning Commission, Conservation Commission and Department of Public Works
 - Revisit Town Hall recycling policy
6. Adjourn

Next Meeting: TBD

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MINUTES
Sustainability and Enhancement Committee Meeting - VIRTUAL MEETING
May 7, 2020

Attendance: Jill Oberlander, Committee Chair; Patricia Sesto, Director of Environmental Affairs; Ashley Cole, Elizabeth Dempsey, Julie DesChamps, Ali Ghiorse, James Hoffman, Myra Klockenbrink, Aleksandra Moch, Urling Searle, Svetlana Wasserman, Cheryl Moss, Katharine Ashforth.

1. Call to Order.

Meeting was called to order at 11:12 a.m. Ms. Oberlander welcomed Ms. Ashforth to the Committee.

2. Minutes.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Committee approved Minutes from the March 5, 2020 meeting (Ms. Moss and Ms. Ashforth abstaining).

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Committee approved Minutes from the April 16, 2020 meeting (Ms. Ashforth abstaining).

Note: Ms. Oberlander will correct the spelling of Ms. Ghiorse's name in the final minutes.

3. Vote on GSEC Organizational Chart.

The Committee discussed the organizational chart and supported the structure as outlined. Ms. Klockenbrink commented that it was important to maintain intersectionality of all the sub-groups as many issues will overlap. **Director Sesto and Selectperson Oberlander will reach out to the Chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Director of Planning to discuss how to integrate their subject area into the work of the Committee.**

Committee sub-groups agreed to develop a 1-2 sentence mission statement for their respective sub-group and to begin to identify persons who could contribute to the sector sub-groups.

The Committee discussed how to proceed with stakeholder outreach and determined that each sub-group needed a few weeks to identify stakeholders and consider next steps. **Sector chairs will report on status at the next meeting.**

4. Status Updates and Discussion of Next Steps.

a. Earth Day recap: Director Sesto updated the Committee on the Earth Day activities.

b. Reusables project in public school: Ms. Deschamps advised that the Board of Estimate and Taxation removed the proposed funding for the reusables project in the Fiscal 2021 budget. GRAB will be revisiting this project with the Greenwich Public Schools superintendent.

c. Waste Diversion / Reduction: Ms. Deschamps advised that representatives from GRAB will be meeting with Town Public Works to determine the timetable for implementing the food scraps pilot

project. GRAB is also working on implementing a textile recycling program with the help of an outside company, Fairco. GRAB will be coordinating with the Conservation Commission and Director Sesto to begin work on a Town Hall waste diversion program.

d. **Transportation Subcommittee.** Ms. Moch received authorization to move forward with a Transportation sub-group. This sub-group will be focusing initially on electric vehicle charging stations and electric school buses, in concert with other Fairfield County towns. The Committee also discussed options for increasing pedestrian and bicycle access.

e. Enhancement: Ms. Cole advised that the POCD Greenscape Committee had been meeting to discuss landscaping along the Post Road.

5. Attendees stated that there was a desire to meet in three weeks and Selectperson Oberlander agreed to arrange a call.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Jill K. Oberlander
Co-Chair & Recording Secretary