



CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY BOARD
Operations Center - Assembly Room | 305 Williams St. | Hendersonville NC
28792



Thursday, September 15, 2022 – 3:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call - *Kelly Pahle, Chairperson*

Everyone was present except for Beth Stang, Anthony Baltiero, and Ann Twiggs.

Nance Grady was also present- He is the new mountain true member.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Unanimous Vote

2. Approval of Agenda -*Kelly Pahle*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Unanimous Vote - motion by Virginia Tegel

3. Approval of Minutes from 08_18_2022

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

4. Sustainability Manager Update - *John Connet, City Manager*

Formal apology to the board as the sustainability manager position will be a split position with public works, Originally thought the position would just be for sustainability purposes.

John Connet recommends to the board to keep setting goals, lists of how the position would be used.

PUBLIC COMMENT

5. Public Comment (*allotted time 15 minutes*)

Lynn Huffman - Sustainability Plan Walkability Element

The walkability presentation included planning for safe cycling crossings. Examples are from Xenia, Ohio. Discussed ideas on cycling crossings downtown, i.e. one side of parallel parking dedicated to a bike path, specific traffic lights for bicycle traffic, barrier poles.

We also had public comment from Carlos Ruiz, of Hendersonville NC. He spoke on the EV club, and having a Tesla club coming, event planning, and combining efforts with the Green Expo. Proposed serving on a subcommittee. Currently Green expo is penciled in for April 23rd 2023.

OLD BUSINESS

SUB COMMITTEE UPDATES

6. Bee City - *Will Garvey, Board Member*

Migration of butterflies in schools. 50% filled classrooms.

On Oct. 20th, Blue Ridge Community College is showing My Garden of 1,000 bees.

7. Recycling and Plastics - *Geri Conley, Board Member*

Campaigning on main street to start soon. Asheville is trying to get councils approval this month.

8. City Council - *Lyndsey Simpson, Council Woman*

Lyndsey suggested they go a head and apply for Green Expo event, make a list of vendors/ sponsors and incentives. Ann Twigg Volunteered to head up this subcommittee.

Mayor gave proclamation to plant a magnolia to be designated as "mother earth city" and made a park bench in Elly Travis's name in Patton park.

NEW BUSINESS

* We have officially requested to join ICLEI

9. Daring Cities - *Virginia Tegel, Board Member*

10. Future Collaboration Opportunities- *Virginia Tegel, Board member*

(Eric Bradford, operations director at Greenworks - speak at future ESB meeting regarding collaboration

Green Expo collab with CC

Conservation Learning Center, HC Soil and Water- Farm City at Jackson Park 10/1

Hard to Recycle, Jackson Park 9/17

Subpod- compost survey to city staff

Trash Trout, new installation on Brittain Creek

Register someone to go to the HC Soil and Water event, Farm city at Jackson Park on 10/1.
Goal is to see parklet set up.

11. Green Meadows Community Garden Community Meeting - *Mary Ellen Kustin, Board member*

12. Meeting List for 2023

Every third Thursday at 3pm.

January 19th

February 16th

March 16

April 20

May 18

June 15

July 20

August 17

September 21

October 19

November 16

December 21

Change Dec 21 to December 14th.

Voted to have a virtual meeting for those who wish to attend virtually that are not board members.

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