



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

Tuesday, March 10, 2026 – 4:30 PM



AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approval of January 2026 Meeting Minutes

Note: a voting quorum wasn't present for the last meeting so there are no minutes to approve for the February 2026 meeting.

4. **BUSINESS**

A. Spring 2026 Mulch & Leaf Compost Giveaway - *Virginia Tegel, Member*

B. Energy Saver Upcoming Workshop - *Caitlyn Gendusa, Staff Liaison*

C. Consideration of Tree Board & Environmental Sustainability Board joint meeting

Per request from a Tree Board member on the following topics: Bee City, increasing tree canopy, and presentation from Mike Huffman on Lower Mudd Creek restoration projects

D. Hendo Earth Fest Update - *Emily Davidson, Chair*

E. Group discussion/brainstorm on ESB member retention - *all members*

F. Monthly maintenance of Sustainability Demonstration Station - *Emily Davidson, Chair and Virginia Tegel, Member*

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hUcxz-eGyUD387ihl3VKwvSqOpyuzPL6lIYw6tLlJ6E/edit?usp=sharing>

G. Sustainability presentation for future ESB meetings

Sign up: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1g4Bc0uAoAAtaW-X2t5tRNs4G6k2TDTcCxgKvXZJFrRc/edit?usp=sharing>

H. Mountain True update - *Emily Davidson, Chair*

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

6. **CLOSED SESSION**

A. Vote on 2026 Sustainability Hero Award

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Tuesday, January 13, 2026 – 4:30 PM



Item A.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:37 p.m.

Members present: Emily Davidson (Zoom), Jill Carter (Zoom), Virginia Tegel, Richard Harris, Kimberly Blackwell, and Kyla Christensen

Members absent: Alicia Stump

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Emily motioned to approve first followed by Jill with the addition of public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jill motioned to approve the November 2025 meeting minutes first followed by Emily.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jan from Trinity Presbyterian Church attended virtually to collect information to share with her church on what the board is working on.

Kathleen recently submitted an application to be on the board and attended virtually to learn more.

BUSINESS

Welcome new members! - *Emily Davidson, Chair*

Approval of Hendo Green Partnership structure - *Jill Carter, Member*

Jill shared an updated process and parameters for Hendo Green Partnership. Caitlyn is working on scheduling a presentation from ESB to City Council.

Hendo Earth Fest update - *Emily Davidson, Chair*

Sustainability Topic Presentation - *Emily Davidson, Chair*

Emily is sending out updated link for board members to sign up for a sustainability topic presentation.

Status of FY26 board budget - Caitlyn Gendusa, Staff Liaison

Potential purchase with extra funds:

Edible garden signage & designation at Grove Street Park (part of current stormwater restoration project). Edible plants include: Persimmon, Paw Paw, Spicebush, Highbush blueberry, and Elderberries

Educational signage: ~\$4,500

Caitlyn is going to find more information from Mike Huffman, Stormwater Director on what is needed for the signage.

Vote on FY27 Budget - *Caitlyn Gendusa, Staff Liaison*

Virginia motioned to approve first followed by Richard.

Sustainability Hero Award planning

Caitlyn is going to start promoting. Kimberly volunteered to review applications.

SDS maintenance schedule - *Virginia Tegel, Member*

Board members signed up for once/month (ideally weekly) checkin on maintenance. Members, please record on sheet below when you checkin on station and follow protocol listed:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hUcxz-eGyUD387ihl3VKwvSqOpyuzPL6lIYw6tLlJ6E/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.bi11dhoys7ls>

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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Energy Funds For All



ENERGY SAVER INFORMATION SESSION

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Who Should Attend:

Low-Moderate Income homeowners

What You'll Learn:

- ✓ Information on Energy Saver program & qualifying upgrades
- ✓ Details on how to apply & estimated financial savings

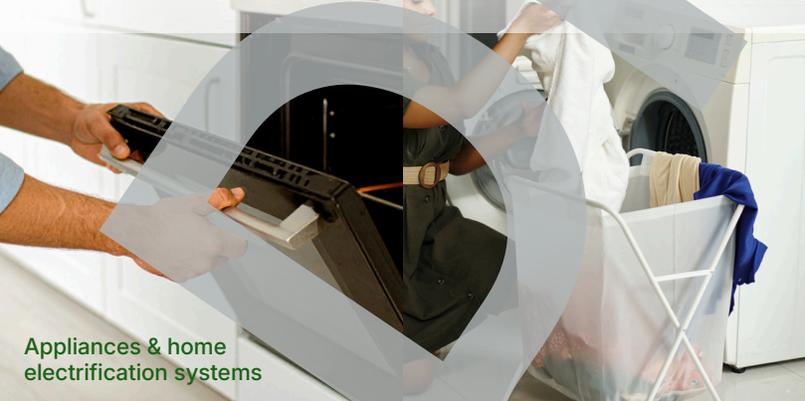
Details:

April 8, 2026

5:45 pm-7:00 pm

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Save money on your utility bills while receiving a financial rebate. Eligible upgrades include:



Appliances & home electrification systems



insulation, air sealing, and upgrading heating and cooling systems to improve energy efficiency



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