

CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY BOARD

City Hall - Assembly Room | 160 6th Ave E | Hendersonville NC 28792 Thursday, October 26, 2023 – 3:30 PM



MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Call To Order - Kelly Phale, Chairperson

Meeting began at 3:30pm

2. WELCOME NEW MEMBER

A. Welcome new member - Kelly Pahle, Chair

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. Approval of agenda

Mary Ellen motioned first followed by Jill.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Approval of October minutes

Grady motioned first followed by Marcia.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. Public comment - 10 minutes

No comments

STAFF LIAISON UPDATE - Caitlyn Gendusa, Sustainability Manager

- 5. Asheville's Sustainability Board Annual Meeting (10 minutes)
- 6. Sustainability Plan Review Discussion (3 minutes)

Caitlyn is going to send out email with focus area sections for people to join subcommittees reviewing each area.

7. Board review of Policy on Building Efficiency Standard Requirements for All New Municipal City Construction & Renovation (30 minutes)

Ann and Virginia propose looking into including greywater; Caitlyn is going to look into adding this.

Discuss was brought up of including this policy in the regular City Council meeting agenda so the public can be aware of important steps the City is making in sustainability.

CITY COUNCIL UPDATE - Lyndsey Simpson, Council Woman

Councilwoman Simpson, Caitlyn and City attorney, Angie Beaker attended Affordable Housing Conference. Highlights and potential ideas for the City include a community land trust, and potential bond referendum for funds and staff member essential for this work.

Update on development fees.

SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

8. Hendo EarthFest – Ann Twiggs & Frank Stewart, Members (5 minutes)

Caitlyn will check on if we can create a direct weblink to the Hendo Earth Fest page.

Ann and Marcia met with Summit Marketing.

Mary Ellen proposed we look into plastic free "swag" if we are giving anything away.

9. Waste Reduction – Virginia Tegel, Member (5 minutes)

Progress has been made on compost drop off site at a church.

Virginia would like to approach the Brooklyn Community Garden members about having composting while the garden is being constructed. Logan cautioned compost would be low during the winter months and suggested if there is compost to add additional topsoil to prevent erosion.

OLD BUSINESS

10. Tree Ordinance Review - Virginia Tegel, Member (10 minutes)

Councilmember Simpson will bring up suggestion from Logan of including fruit trees.

11. Parks & Greenspace Master Plan Update - Virginia Tegel, Member (5 minutes)

Survey is now posted.

Jill proposed include in the walkability plan the inclusion from the survey on areas that have a 15+ minute drive from a City park.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:36pm

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