

Sustainable Futures Commission

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Depot Annex, Lyons

Member Attendees: Dave Hatchimonji, Jeff Christy, Ken Singer, Dawn Weller, David Decoster, Julie Boyle, Dan Matsch

BOT Liaison: Mark Browning

SFC Coordinator: Garrett McDaniel

1. Approved minutes from May SFC meeting; Motion to approve by Jeff Christy, seconded by Ken Singer; approved unanimously.
2. Single hauler ordinance and RFP status:
 - Discussed compost, bear-proof containers, per bag price, when in process to craft ordinance. Recommendation is to craft the plan as simply as possible, to promote a successful outcome.
 - Mark B.'s recommendation is to bring HOA's on board as soon as possible.
 - Garrett wants SFC comments by 6/23/19, please, and to post RFP by 6/27/19.
3. LESAP update:
 - Make goals consistent with county and state goals, to extent possible
 - Timeline:
 - SFC comments to Garrett by 6/18
 - Next mtg. (7/19/19): Discuss SFC feedback
 - 7/31/19- all town dept. heads to have reviewed
 - 8/13/19 SFC mtg.- discuss town admin. review
 - 9/31/19- review completed by all town commissions
 - 10/8/19 SFC mtg.- review/prep. For BOT presentation
 - 10/19- workshop and then SFC presentation to BOT
4. Sustainability efforts in town:
 - composting at Sandstone concerts not working; ask folks to pack in/pack out, and advise residents via newsletter and email blast. We're not yet ready for grant funds for town composting

- Burning Can: decent diversion rates during beer fest, but terrible during dinner. Too few recycle stations, insufficient volunteers, very little diversion. Garrett working on improvement, and all agree Adventure Fit needs to be much more accountable at next contract renewal.
 - Organic waste treatment: working on contractor for chipping tree limbs, but Mark. B. feels this is Public Works responsibility. Discussed ideas for increasing seasonal yard waste collection: Garrett seeking bids, ?recycle center?, ?at town events? Julie to call local farmers/gardeners to discuss composting education.
5. Spring Cleanup review:
- Survey, per Garrett: 2/3 attendees happy overall, 1/4 made at least 2 trips, 90% felt wait times acceptable, 1/3 felt costs too high.
 - GM will send data to SFC
 - Discussed how we track/charge being greatest opportunities for improvement (window tags once payment made, charge landfill last, checklist of charges to be paid on exit, etc.)
 - Need more signage, maps to public, cones to mark traffic lanes, more/earlier food/drinks, tools for volunteers to efficiently deal with materials (yard waste)
 - Contact other towns to learn how they manage (Julie).
6. Board/liaison updates:
- P and R:
 - X Jeff clarified weeds group not part of ecology board, rather, autonomous citizens group
 - X River Park: ready for landscaping, but hard to keep people out to protect new plantings. Name may be misnomer: P and R doesn't want picnickers, so no trash cans, restrooms, etc. for such. ?Dog access?
 - X Possible membership for P and R in Leave No Trace, for access to resources to help manage parks.
7. RCAB: anxiously-waiting to see how sustainability tax will be administered.
8. Julie requested volunteer to replace Dawn as second recorder. Decided Julie will be recorder and Dan will appoint another in her absence.
9. Next meeting date and agenda items:
- 7/9/19
 - Review clean-up day #'s, discuss PAYT draft