

Environmental Sustainability Committee
November 18, 2021
Start: 7:04
City Hall

1. Attendance:

Member	
Julie Petrik	Unexcused
Daniel Brooks	x
Mari Masalin-Cooper (Secretary)	x
Sarah Jo Sautter	Excused
Bridget McKinley	x
Kate Zenlea	Excused
Aaron Retish	x
Ben Falik (Chair)	x
David Egan	x
Vacancy (student representative)	
Bob Paul (Commission Liaison)	x
Lauren Fletcher (City Rep)	x
Public Participants:	
Hal Stock	x

2. **Approval of Agenda: Approve Agenda as amended Unanimously**

3. **Approval of June Minutes:** Unanimously approved

4. **Food compost media campaign** - Bridget: Sara Jo had created a media communication agenda. She feels we have struggled to develop.

Ben: HW cannot put to the curb after mid-December. May not be the best time of year. Develop a timeline for 2022.

Bridget: more difficult to get the message seem relevant now, but may look at a variety of social media. Why it matters to HW. How many in Eblast, once a month.

Bob Paul:, have a HW media staff person that could be used.

Mari: If we set a schedule to get it started before the April 2022 start.

Aaron: We can write the text for the whole year, like Halloween for pumpkins.

Bridget: Do we want to make it about all recycling? We need pictures.

Mari: Proposed an agenda item for the December meeting to discuss expanding the media campaign. Look through the calendar for the year and identify the monthly themes/information share

Motion to add Media Campaign - expanding it from the compost campaign to include more information to the December 2021 developing goals for 2022.

Bob: Could arrange a discussion with the communications staff person.

5. **Cardboard recycling update:** remove this agenda item

6. Solar ordinance discussion: -

Committee reviewed the Planning Board's minutes re: Solar panel discussion for May and June 2021. Planning Commission Approved the Solar ordinance as presented in June 28, 2021

Bob Paul: Said the ordinance will be with the City Commission in January 2022 for the 1st Reading, then will be taken up for a vote to approve at a later meeting.

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- a. Ben proposed a December 16th meeting at 7pm City Commission

7. Public Participation:

Hal Stack 13116 Talbot

Wanted to raise a couple of issues or ideas. Hal: Concerned that HW is behind the curve in developing a sustainability plan like our neighboring cities. We could develop one for HW by looking at our neighbors plans and discussing what our city could achieve.

Hal: suggested reviewing the 2019 energy data and perhaps get it updated. Good data is a good first step to a good plan

1. 2012/2013 Woodward Five working with EcoWorks. Several cities participated, have you use or all seen. Aaron R. has seen.
2. DTE changing LED lights throughout the city, DTW wants 5000, HW wants less wattage (4000)
3. Master Plan process, there are environmental goals in the plan, but the ESC would be involved with the Master Plan, but would like to see HW develop a sustainability plan like our neighboring community
4. Do we have the technical support and data? Aaron, the
5. Bob Paul, city commission did authorize a study of city building sustainability, efficiency. Will have the data in February for review at the city commission

8. Committee member remarks:

Ben: Explore the expansion of dialogue of community

Ben: proposed motion to add a December 16th meeting at 7pm at City Hall. Seconded by Mari, motion carried.

Lauren: will see that the date gets added to the HW website.

Aaron: Interested in learning about the transition process for the new city manager.

Bob Paul: gave a status on the hiring the city manager. Lauren will be our interim city contact.

Mari: reminded the committee that having Amy attend our meetings was unusual. Prior to her, the departments directors came to these meetings, like Claire G or the Rec Center Director, or the Library Director.

Bob Paul: asked Ben to serve a 2nd term, he agreed. Aaron and Bridget are completing their 2nd terms, they will not be eligible for re-appointment, unless there are no interested city residents. In that case they could be reappointed to a 3rd term.

Adjournment: 8:19pm