



Sustainability Committee

Minutes

October 2, 2017

6pm - Room C

Attendance:

Joan Strawson, Emily Roy, Phil LeBlanc, Mark Broski, Joanne Petersen, Christine Maher, Eric Daniels

Alderman: Kelly Russell

Sustainability Manager: Jenny Willoughby

CCC Member: Yash Pavuluri

Guests:

1. September minutes were approved.
2. Christine and Joanne offered to take the Open Meetings Act training for the Committee.
3. The Committee discussed In the Street and overall felt that the public was engaged, that the sticker activity worked, but that the compost bins being only available to City residents was a drawback. Also suggested that options be considered/developed for those in the City who do not have space for typical composting bins (explore counter-top bins). The group discussed a potential partnership with the County to offer bins to County residents. The group also discussed having a QR code or some identifier so visitors can learn more about all aspects of sustainable living. Christine offered to search through the City's website to determine where we could fill in gaps. Proposed sending a letter of congratulations to the winners of the composting bins.

4. The group agreed to table the Green Neighbor Festival, but will discuss the table focus after the group had finalized goals for the year.
5. The group asked to table the review and discussion of the Monocacy River Management Plan until November, with a plan for a vote on the formal letter at the December meeting. In the interim, committee members to review plan and submit comments to Jenny for November review/discussion.
6. The group discussed general committee goals and possible subcommittees.
 - A. Proposed a subcommittee to support website development highlighting goals and accomplishments.
 - B. Agreed to prioritize setting committee goals before web development.
7. No additional administrative items were added.
8. No public comment.
9. Meeting adjourned