CLEAN & GREEN COMMISSION
Minutes
Monday, October 4, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

Present: Anne Little, Laura Shepherd, Mary Repass, Carolyn Helfrich, Nancy Segarra

The meeting was called I to order at 6:03 pm

Laura Shepherd made a motion to approve the minutes from 8/2/10. Carolyn Helfrich seconded the motion. The motioned passed.

Update Clean Working Group

Recycling at the cities schools is still under discussion. Chair Anne Little went to the last school board meeting to ask the School Board to support this effort. Currently there is a tiny bit of recycling done in the Fredericksburg Schools.

Spotsylvania, Stafford, King George and Caroline County are all doing school recycling. Stafford is in its third year and their schools recycle over 70,000 pounds of material every month. The GW Commission is trying to work with the Fredericksburg schools on this. They may have one of the schools willing to try the program – Lafayette Middle School. Anne Little contacting Laurel Hammig from GW commission to get an update.

Christmas Parade – Clean & Green will march in the Christmas parade again this year and will again be asking for no candy or silly string thrown from the floats. Nancy Segarra will check with dave King on the status of this.

UMW Sustainability Days are on Saturday, October 16th.9:30a.m.-2:00pm – Laura Shepherd will represent the Clean & Green Commission at the event.

Update Tree Working Group

- Fall Tree Planting - Tree Fredericksburg is planting 200 trees this fall and 200 in the spring.
- Micah has agreed to partner with Tree Fredericksburg to help with the planting.
- An Appeal to City Council for more funds for trees in 2011 was sent to George Solley to present to Council
- We will have a pruning workshop led by Guy Mussey and Rob Allen in late November, early December. Details soon
- GPS – David Dorsey still exploring working relationship with UMW to do tree id with GPS
- We have agreed to make sure that all neighborhoods receive some trees each year. The challenge for planting with volunteers is to make sure that things are close together for the plantings. We will do 5 groups of 40 trees around the city each planting season

Action Item

A member of our commission, Bill Kjar, has missed all of the meetings for the last year. Our request to him to resign has not been fruitful. Carolyn Helfrich made a motion to remove Mr. Bill Kjar from the Clean & Green Commission. Mary Repass seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Anne Little will contact Tonya Lacey for the next step of this process.

The Green working group submitted a final version of an approved tree list for use by the Parks and Recreation Department and also by Public Works. This list will determine what trees can be planted in the City of Fredericksburg. Carolyn Helfrich made a motion to submit the final list of approved street trees to Public Works for adoption into their policy manual on trees. Further, the same list will be submitted to Park and Recreation to be adopted into their policy manual for approved Park trees. Laura Shepherd seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Carolyn Helfrich will contact James Bell to get the Christmas baskets put up in November at the Visitors Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 p,m.

Next Meetings/Events
Tuesday, 10/12 – Green Working Group Meeting
Monday, 11/1 – Clean Working Group – 8:30 am
Monday, 11/1 – Clean & Green Committee – 6pm
Tuesday, 11/2 – Green Working Group – 8am
Tree planting –(all planting times 9-noon) Saturday, Oct 16th, Friday, October 22nd, Saturday, October 23rd, Saturday, November 20th, Saturday, November 27th