

CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG CLEAN & GREEN COMMISSION

Minutes

Monday, January 4, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioners: Damian Cobey, Robert Courtnage, Kerry Devine, Carolyn Helfrich, Kyle Snyder, George Solley, Ex-Officio Members: Diane Jones, David King, Erik Nelson, Nancy Segarra, Shane Riordan, Public Visitors: Anne Little

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 P.M.

The minutes from 12/7/15 were approved with 2 corrections.

Shane Riordan was welcomed as new Commissioner replacing Anne Little. Robert Courtnage suggests a “co-lead” be selected for each sub-committee.

Clean Committee Update

- Agreed more sand buckets need to be purchased/distributed
- Locking mechanism for lids/ashtrays has been implemented. City Shop will install on trash cans in rotating fashion as time allows. Shop will also try to fashion a replacement lid for the ashtray where the lid was stolen.
- Discussed education process for new litter ordinance/fine: where/when/how? Police message board? Temporary moveable signs? Highway-grade permanent signs? Banner on Blue-Gray? Banners on city vehicles/equipment?
- FY16 Budget was announced for ashtray/dog waste stations servicing on 1st and 15th each month: \$1440.00

Sustainability Committee Update

- Possibly get grocery stores to post “you can only recycle plastic bags here” type message at their bag accepting stations to increase proper disposal of plastic bags
- Come up with very basic/simplistic list of recyclables to distribute to citizens: magnet? Flyer in water bill? Catchy slogan? PSA video?
- Look to model communities for ideas
- Explore/consider energy conservation efforts both commercial and residential applications
- Meeting 1/15/16 (Rescheduled to 2/12 at 4 p.m.) with CLEAR at Marstel Day on City energy efficiency program options
- Will explore possibility of occasional curbside paper-bag green waste collection

Green Committee Update

- Tree Fredericksburg has negotiated new labor & tree cost-sharing partnership with new subdivisions (Idlewild/Kensington/Telegraph Hill) for proper tree/proper place (replacements & first installations)

Washington Avenue Tree Planting Petition Update:

- Public meeting will take place 1/25/16, 7pm-9pm, Dorothy Hart Community Center (subsequently took place on 2/1, 7-9 pm due to the residual effects of the snowstorm)
- City Staff will first present facts/history
- Petitioners will re-state their position
- Speakers will be taken on a signed-up basis first and if crowd/time permits, speakers from the floor will be heard. Written comments will be accepted until February 15, 2016
- Committee will convene to review comments and decide on what action to take

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 1 @ 6:30 P.M. (Clean Committee will meet first at 5:30) (Meeting subsequently changed to 2/8 @ 6:30 p.m. due to Washington Ave. Mall Tree Plantings Special C&G Commission Meeting)