



## **MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, September 10, 2018

6:30 p.m.

City Hall, Large Conference Room

**Commissioners in Attendance:** Robert Courtnage (Chair), Michelle Crow-Dolby (Vice-Chair), Kerry Devine (City Council) Christi Carver, Damian Cobey, George Solley, Carolyn Helfrich, Sarah Hurst, Christi Carver.

**Ex-officio Members:** Nancy Segarra (Public Works), Mike Ward (Parks and Rec), Diane Jones (R-Board), M.C. Morris (R-Board), Emma Dolby, (Parks and Rec). **Green Committee:** Frank Widic

### **Absent**

Erik Nelson (Planning)

- Call to order @ 6:30 p.m.
- Approval of the July meeting minutes (5 mins) Motioned by Ms. Crow-Dolby, seconded by Mr. Solley.
- Public comment (5 mins)
  - None
- Discussion items (20 mins)
  - Ms. Hurst was recognized as the newly appointed Commissioner.
  - Building of minor league Nationals stadium green. Mr. Courtnage reported that the meeting with planners and architects working on stadium design went very well. Some discussion topics included LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), PACE (low interest loans if overall energy efficiency and renewable energy are in plans), water conservation, and tree planting designs. Members at the meeting are planning follow-up discussions with experts in these fields.
- Committee Updates
  - Clean Committee (10 mins.) – Damian Cobey
    - The initiative to revitalize recycling in the schools is moving forward. The Committee plans to be involved in future three “R’s” education efforts.
    - The Committee received a briefing with regards to the changes that are occurring in the single stream recycling markets. The R-



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Board would like to work cooperatively with City staff and the Committee on ways to improve public awareness.

- M.C. Morris was introduced as the new Community Outreach Supervisor for the R-Board.
  - It was noted that the City's Parks and Rec department has taken over the management of the dog stations and cigarette butt containers.
  - Various tabling events were noted.
  - November 1<sup>st</sup> will be the start date for the Butts are Litter Too campaign. City Parks and Rec will be involved with this campaign as well.
  - November 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the date for the Committee's fall clean-Up.
  - The R-Board will be hosting a Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste Collection Day at the City shop on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Green Committee (10 mins.) – Frank Widic
    - Main Street downtown planters will be getting a spruce up for the fall season.
    - Confirmed that the fall tree planting areas are published on the City's website.
    - City staff will be doing some plantings on Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.
    - Tree Fredericksburg will be celebrating its 10-year anniversary on October 17<sup>th</sup> at Belmont from 6-9 P.M.
    - Mr. Widic handed out the Green Committee's Operating Policy and Rules of Procedure. He asked that the Commission members read this document.
  - Sustainability (10 mins.) – Robert Courtnage
    - On August 21<sup>st</sup> the George Washington Regional Commission held a conference at University of Mary Washington with regards to regional composting.
    - Work on a solar partnership with Brisben Center and Loisann's Hope House continues to move forward. For the Brisben project, significant resources have come forward to assist with the panels and installation. This program offers grid alternatives. It will also provide job training opportunities.

The Commission set the next meeting for Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Adjourn @ 7:30 p.m.