

CLEAN & GREEN COMMISSION

OUR TOWN, OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, KEEP HAMDEN CLEAN & GREEN

MINUTES: The Clean & Green Commission held a Regular Meeting on Monday, March 17, 2014 in the third floor conference room, Hamden Government Center. The following issues were discussed:

Commissioners in Attendance: Mr. Palmieri, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Solis, Ms. Serrano-Alvarado, Ms. Feliconio

Commissioners Absent: Agnes Orłowski (excused)

Others in Attendance: Recycling Coordinator Ms. Roach, Commission Clerk Ms. Tobin

1. Call to Order

Ms. Serrano-Alvarado called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. Review Minutes of November 18, 2014

Mr. Palmieri made a motion to approve the minutes of November 18, 2013 as corrected. Mr. Jordan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

3. Old Business

Ms. Roach sent an email to Mr. Leng asking about the letter to Town businesses. There has been no response to date.

Ms. Serrano Alvarado sent commissioners a copy of the Ordinance establishing the Clean & Green Commission listing the powers and duties of the Commission. She would like to see us get some support from the Town or other organizations and perhaps we can focus more on beautification. We have been having trouble getting sponsorships for holding cleanups. Mr. Jordan said he still has ideas for sponsors. There is a list of volunteers that signed up at the Brooksvale event that the Commission can call upon. Ms. Roach said the Commission is still doing the cleanups after the summer concerts, which is very helpful. The Commission's participation in Earth Day is valuable. Ms. Roach will talk to Mr. Leng to see how the Commission can get some support. Ms. Solis said she joined the Commission after seeing a notice in the newspaper. Ms. Serrano-Alvarado said she thought someone had submitted a resume but we have not heard anything.

Ms. Serrano-Alvarado asked again for nominees for the Orchid Award. They have a name for the civic award. Mr. Jordan mentioned Cafe Amici. Ms. Feliconio mentioned Cascade. Ms. Roach said at Earth Day we can ask for members, volunteers, and sponsors.

Ms. Solis has the name of the contact for Quinnipiac's Big Event. We had 24 volunteers last year and split into three groups for cleanup.

Memorial Day Parade – several members are open to marching if we can get a group together.

Earth Day – last year we gave away 140 plants. There was discussion as to how many we should order this year. There was further discussion on Earth Day. Ms. Tobin will try to find the press release for the Orchid Award. Mr. Jordan and Mr. Palmieri worked the scavenger hunt table last year and will do it

again this year. Ms. Roach hopes to get some volunteers from the Middle School to help.

4. New Business

There was discussion on pot hole repair. Ms. Solis mentioned that her neighbor on Smith Drive, a town employee, has a huge pothole in front of his house. She lives around the corner on Hesse Road.

5. Adjournment

Mr. Palmieri made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jordan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Gerry Tobin, Commission Clerk