

CLEAN & GREEN COMMISSION

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MINUTES: The Clean & Green Commission held a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 19, 2015, in the third floor conference room, Hamden Government Center. The following issues were discussed:

Commissioners in Attendance: Sandra Serrano Alvarado, Ellen Endriss, Lisa Feliconio, Besy Yagla, Carl Jordan, Salman Hamid,

Commissioners Absent: Peter Palmieri, Marcia Smith

1. Call to Order

Ms. Serrano Alvarado called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Commissioners welcomed new member Salman Hamid to the group. Mr. Hamid is a 25 year resident of Hamden and taught at Hamden High School for ten years. He is now working for Aces and hopes to get some young supporters from the school system.

2. Review Minutes of September 21, 2015

Page 1, item 2, correct spelling of Palmieri; Page 2, paragraph 2, line 2, correct spelling of Commission; paragraph 5, change behild to behind.

Mr. Jordan made a motion to approve the minutes of September 21st as corrected. Ms., Feliconio seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

3. Old Business

There was discussion on several items.

- Commissioners would like to know the total of funds its account? They would like to purchase giveaways for the 2016 Earth Day and Brooksvale day.
- They would also like to have some funds for plantings in order to assist town gardner Lynn Baumgartner.
- Displays for the Clean & Green Commission table at events were discussed. Commissioners feel that they need something to attract attendees to the table.
- There was discussion on a proposed letter to send out to Realtors. Ms.Endriss will work up a letter and send it out to Commissioners for review before sending it on to the Mayor's office for approval.
- There was discussion on Ms. Endriss' information sheet which she developed as a handout describing the Commission's activities.
- There was also discussion on volunteer and sponsor recruiting ideas.

- Commissioners also wondered who the new liaison to the Commission will be now that Ms. Roach is no longer working for the Town.

4. New Business

Project 365: Commissioners will meet at the artists apartments at 943 Dixwell Avenue near Auto Zone and across from Arch Street. This Commission will be part of a larger group including the Youth Services Bureau, Police Department, Public Works, Quinnipiac University and the Wintergreen Magnet School. This is the third and last event in 2015 for Project 365.

There was discussion on the bulk trash collection. Commissioners wondered what can be done about all of the TVs that have been put out for collection. The bulk collection does not include televisions.

Ms. Yagla ran into Julie Smith, and she discussed who the Commission should be reporting to and what we need to do to pick up the slack for Earth Day. Ms. Roach has arranged the Earth Day Celebration in the past., but she is no longer working for the Town. Ms. Tobin advised Commissioners that Ms. Roach turned her files over to Dave Garretson in the Mayor's Office.

Ms. Serrano Alvarado announced that she is resigning from the Commission due to personal issues when her term ends in November. Commissioners thanked Ms. Serrano Alvarado for her service.

Ms. Endriss indicated her willingness to serve as chair.

Mr. Jordan made a motion to nominate Ms. Endriss as chair of the Clean & Green Commission. Ms. Serrano Alvarado seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Ms. Feliconio does not wish to be appointed official co-chair of the Commission, but she is happy to assist Ms. Endriss.

There was discussion regarding commissioner responsibilities and the lack of communication by some members.

5. Adjournment

Mr. Jordan made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Endriss seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Gerry Tobin, Commission Clerk