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CLEAN & GREEN COMMISSION

OUR TOWN, OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, KEEP HAMDEN CLEAN & GREEN

MINUTES: The Clean & Green Commission held a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2016 in the third floor conference room, Hamden Government Center. The following issues were discussed:

Commissioners in Attendance: Ms. Endriss, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Beck, Mr. Hamid

Commissioners Excused: Ms. Feliconio, Ms. Yagla

Commissioners Absent: Ms. Smith

Others in Attendance: Solid Waste & Recycling Coordinator Mr. Kinlock, Commission Clerk Ms. Tobin

1. Call to Order

Ms. Endriss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Informal notes of June 20, 2016

3. Old Business

Ms. Endriss said she is feeling discouraged, but we will continue. At the first concert there was a medium crowd and we had five people cleaning up. Last week we had a concert crowd of 10-12,000 and the Parks Department got there early and had the cleanup almost done before we got there. This week the Smithereens and the Romantics will be playing. We need people to volunteer. There was further discussion.

Ms. Endriss mentioned that the bag policy at the transfer station is not being enforced. They would like people to empty their bags and bring the bags home. She isn't sure if that refers to the paper leaf bags. Mr. Kinlock will check with Joe Colello of Public Works.

Hamden's next Home Town Day at HazWaste Central is on September 10th, before our next meeting. At the last event there was some confusion over who was in charge. Mr. Kinlock will be interacting with Bob Marks until he is ready to take over. There was discussion on the forms used at the collection site. Mr. Kinlock will review the forms.

A message from Bob Marks of the Solid Waste and Recycling Commission - REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE!

Ms. Endriss said she saw an article in the newspaper about some ladies from The Whitney Center doing a cleanup. Perhaps we could join with them for a cleanup. Mr. Kinlock will work with Ms. Endriss on this idea.

Regarding the Columbus Day Parade, Ms. Hoffman from HAT plans to bring some children to sing

while we march.

4. New Business

The Tree Commission is accepting nominations for Notable Trees. Ms. Endriss said if commissioners know of a special tree in Hamden, they can submit a photo and a brief description to the Tree Commission for consideration.

Ms. Endriss mentioned that we have not had a quorum since last October. The minutes of that and notes from subsequent meetings have not been approved. Ms. Endriss made a motion that the minutes be approved en masse. Mr. Beck seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Mr. Kinlock attended a meeting of the Wallingford Solid Waste Policy Board as a proxy for Mayor Leng, to review the direction of the Policy Board.

Ms. Endriss said she is keeping track of Legislation.

Mr. Hamid suggested we choose a street, deliver flyers notifying residents we are coming to do a cleanup, and asking if neighbors want to volunteer. There was discussion on the need for sponsors for cleanups.

Mr. Kinlock will check the status of the mattress disposal program.

5. Adjournment

Mr. Jordan made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Beck seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Gerry Tobin, Commission Clerk