

Green Committee

Regular Meeting

January 23, 2025

7:00 P.M.

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Approval of Minutes: October 24, 2024**
3. **Shred Event**
4. **Food Waste Diversion**
5. **Grant Funds (Nickel Nip)**
6. **Other Business**
7. **Adjournment**

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Regular Meeting (Virtual)
Thursday, October 24, 2024 - 7:00 PM**

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ATTENDENCE:

Members Present: Kaitlin Hershey, Mike Harder, Lindsay Ockman, Josh Esposito

Guests: Paul Forrest (DPW Director)

1. Call to Order

K. Hershey called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes: September 26, 2024

M. Harder noted the Shred Event will be held in the South end of the RHAM parking lot, and offered the following amendment:

- i. Section 3, last paragraph, first sentence (Shred Event) – amend to read “the event will be in the South end of the parking lot”

Motion by M. Harder and seconded by L. Ockman to approve the minutes of September 26, 2024 as amended. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

3. Shred Event

The Committee discussed scheduling and member availability for the event, as well as placing notifications in the Rivereast and on Facebook.

4. Food Waste Diversion

Per M. Harder, limited progress has been made in establishing contact with local entities. It was agreed to keep the item on the agenda for the time being, but noted that efforts may be paused in the future.

5. Grant Funds (ARPA/Nickel Nip)

Discrepancies between the Committee’s grant fund numbers and the Town’s Finance Department are still being clarified. A summary report of AHM’s use of Nickel Nip funds was recently received. K. Hershey suggested the Committee consider alternate uses for the Nickel Nip funds previously slated for food waste diversion, including home composting. M. Harder will begin researching home composting avenues, and coordinate with B. Barlow. Continued investment of Nip funds to AHM was discussed, including possible winter, spring, and Earth Day programming. The age-appropriateness of certain programs was also noted. P. Forrest suggested the Committee consider book recycling as a use for grant funds, noting the recent removal of the donation bin from the library. There was also discussion on clothes recycling, possible food waste collection at the Transfer Station, and overall Transfer Station usage metrics. Disposal costs and fees charged to users were also discussed, including methods of funding used in other municipalities.

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Signage for the Transfer Station is the final ARPA project for the Committee. K. Hershey has assembled a list of needed signs. Per P. Forrest, the Board of Selectmen is seeking updated cost estimates for remaining ARPA projects, as deadlines are approaching.

6. Other Business

L. Ockman noted communication from a representative from Gilead Hill School regarding food waste diversion, and suggested coordinating with existing efforts in Glastonbury, where food waste is collected at schools, and picked up by Blue Earth. The Committee discussed sponsoring collection bins at both Hebron elementary schools, and language and messaging surrounding those efforts. The next meeting is December 5th at 7 p.m., and will be the final regularly scheduled meeting of the year. K. Hershey requested a motion agreeing on a date to close the Swap Shack for the season.

Motion by L. Ockman and seconded by M. Harder to set December 15th as the final day of the season for the Swap Shack. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Hannah Walcott (Board Clerk)