

ENVIRONMENTAL, CONSERVATION & SUSTAINIBILITY COMMITTEE Mary Alice Warren Community Center March 18, 2025 – 6:00 PM

- I. **Call to Order** Chair Smitherman called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. In attendance were Kay Smitherman, Chelsea Blount, Henry Fansler, Barbara Hudgens, Gretchen Roberts, Kenneth Scales, Robert Smitherman and Public Works Director Jon Hanna. Jennifer Haydon was absent.
- II. **Agenda Approval** Chelsea Blount moved to approve the agenda to include Clean Sweep. Motion was seconded by Barbara Hudgens and approved unanimously.
- III. **Approval of Minutes** Barbara Hudgens moved to approve the February 11, 2025 minutes. Motion was seconded by Chelsea Blount and approved unanimously.

IV. Old Business

- a. Earth Day
 - 1. <u>Vendors</u> Owl's Roost would like to attend and have live owls as part of their program. Mr. Hanna will verify this is allowed. Vendors selling items will need to obtain approval from the Town Manager. Setup logistics was discussed.
 - 2. Enviroscape This will be discussed more in April.
 - 3. <u>Promotions</u> Ms. Roberts and Ms. Blount will work with Veronica Leasure on promotional and vendor flyers.
 - 4. <u>Special Recycling</u> The committee discussed collections and who would take items to appropriate facilities. Mr. Hanna will use the Town trailer to collect and transport Styrofoam.
- b. <u>Green energy goals</u> Mr. Scales was unable to attain recommendations for a contractor to review the Town's energy use holistically. The committee discussed the Town's resolution. difference between new green energy infrastructure and building refits, sustainability and an energy audit. Mr. Hanna will talk with staff about access to Town invoices for an energy audit. Chelsea Blount moved to invite George Santucci, Town of Boone Sustainability Manager, to speak in May or June. Town Council would be invited. Motion was seconded by Ken scaled and approved unanimously.

V. New Business

- a. <u>Shred event</u> Mr. Hanna shared the Council's request for the committee to evaluate the need for a community shred event. The committee was not interested in hosting a shred event due to it not aligning with their mission/interests. However, the committee would be interested f the shred vendor released the shredded paper to the committee to compost.
- b. <u>Clean Sweep</u> March 29

VI. Staff Reports

- a. Board & Committee Collaboration Session May 28, 5:30-6:30 PM, Town Hall
- b. Volunteer Appreciation Event May 28, 6:30 PM, Town Hall

VII. For the Good of the Order

a. Next meeting: April 8, 2025 at MAWCC



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VIII. **Adjournment** – Having no further business to discuss, Robert Smitherman moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Barbara Hudgens and motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:	
	Kay Smitherman, Chair
Dora K. Moore, Town Clerk	