



Environmental Initiatives Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE: February 7, 2019
TIME: 6:30 PM
LOCATION: Parks & Recreation Building,

1. **Roll Call** – Committee members Pat Lang, Peter Evans, Drew Grewal, Peter Evans.
Community members: Jay Shideler, Steve Schmidt, Joe Siudzinski
2. **Approval of Minutes** – There was no quorum at the January meeting and therefore no minutes to approve
3. **New items:**
 - **GreenWaste update** – Community member Jay Shideler gave an update on the status of the Town’s current contract with waste management provider GreenWaste. The current contract is due to expire at the end of June. The Town has decided to issue a request for proposal for the next contract. A Request for Proposals is being prepared and should be posted later this month.
 - **Update on Town’s decision - - purchase of mower equipment** The Committee members were updated on the Town Council’s vote and decision to purchase an electric mower for maintenance of the Purissima Park fields rather than fossil fuel powered equipment.
4. **Updates:**
 - **Education initiative for Town citizens regarding environmental issues: Sринi**
– Not discussed
 - **GHG action plan: Steve**
 - **Proposal: Town staff EV charging** – The Committee discussed and passed a resolution “encouraging the Town to investigate providing incentives for electric vehicle use by town staff, for example, free or reduced cost charging”. Drew Grewal made a motion to endorse the resolution, which was seconded by Peter Evans, and passed unanimously
 - **Proposal: Assessment of fire risk abatement aligned with GHG reduction.** Committee discussed that growing need to reduce fire risk provides another compelling justification for undergrounding, and considered whether Town could fund undergrounding through measures that would also incentivize GHG reduction. Committee concluded that previously authorized sub-committee should investigate this and other options.
 - **Green Building : Sheila, Drew** – Not discussed
 - **SVCE : Peter** - Not discussed

- **Water Conservation : Peter** - Not discussed
- **Infrastructure** Not discussed

5. Potential New Initiatives

6. Public comments

7. Adjournment