

Environmental Sustainability Taskforce (EST)
City of Winchester, Virginia
Meeting Minutes
May 30th, 2018

Attendees:

EST Members	Others
	Jennifer Jenkins
Tim Koppenhaver, Vice Chairman/Secretary	Justin Hall
Isaiah Walston	
Mike Neese	
Kevin Carbonnier	
Michael Butler	

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Koppenhaver at 5:01 p.m.

Mr. Michael Butler was welcomed as a new member of the EST.

The minutes from the April 25th, 2018 EST meeting that were already posted to our website were approved but with the condition that they be re-formatted in the same manner as all prior minutes and that the attendees be corrected to reflect that Jennifer Jenkins and Tim Koppenhaver were not in attendance.

Planning for the Green Neighborhood Expo (GNE) commenced next. Highlights are as follows:

- Isaiah Walston distributed a list of potential exhibitors/sponsors and each EST member selected some from the list to reach out to.
- Though Chad Braun-Duin was unable to attend the meeting, he did report by email that both SVEC and the VA Center for Wind Energy have confirmed that they will be involved in GNE.
- Isaiah Walston agreed to forward a template email to be used when contacting potential exhibitors/sponsors.
- Michael Butler agreed to secure a commitment letter to be used for any exhibitor/sponsor interested in participating. However, it was also agreed that this letter needs to be reviewed by the City of Winchester for approval before use.
- The space available for the GNE extends from the Taylor Pavilion down the alley onto the walking mall and to about Union Jack's Pub.
- The suggested time for the GNE event was from 11:00 to 3:00 so that there would be overlap with the Farmers Market which runs from 9:00 to 1:00.

Jennifer Jenkins presented to the EST a concern regarding an invasive insect that has been found in the city. The spotted lanternfly has been found around the Frederick Brick & Block business facility on the north side of town. It's a pest of grapes, peaches, and apples as well as home gardens. It associates with the tree-of-heaven. Citizens in the area around Frederick Brick & Block are being asked to voluntarily allow for the application abatement treatments by VDACS. Several VDACS handouts were given to each EST member.

The next scheduled meeting of the EST is set for June 20th, 2018 at 5:00 at the City Yards.

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.