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SUSTAINABILITY & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

- 1) Call to order
 - a. Roll Call

Chair White called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: White, Grabe, Saltes, Gottwald, Butusov, Halverson and Beheler. Also present: Administrator Owen.
- 2) Consent Agenda

White removed the McFarland report under Adopt a municipality reports for discussion. Saltes noted that he thought the form used by McFarland for the sustainability plan was good, and we should consider using that for our plan as well. After discussion motion by Halverson to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Saltes. Motion carried.

 - a. Adopt a Municipality Reports
 - b. Consideration of July 23, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- 3) Agenda Items
 - a. Presentation from Village of Oregon Trustee Lynn McDaniel on Residential Composting Program

Lynn McDaniel is a trustee for the Village of Oregon and serves as the board representative and Chair of the Sustainability Committee. McDaniel described the process they used in selecting to work with Green Box to offer curbside composting services as an option to their residents. McDaniel added that as an incentive to get residents to sign up the Sustainability Committee provided funding to cover half of the program cost for the first 100 residents to sign up. The program started in April, and they have 38 residents participating. After some questions from the Committee, McDaniel was thanked for attending and sharing her experience.
 - b. Sustainability Plan Discussion

Administrator Owen reported that he had received the signed grant agreement with the Public Service Commission. Slipstream has also sent

their contract for doing the work, but he has not had a chance to review it yet. Beheler asked for the agreement to be sent to the committee. Gottwald added that she felt like the work listed in the scope of work was for an energy plan not a full sustainability plan. The committee agreed and would like to see additional options for the full sustainability plan pursued.

c. Continued Discussion on Green Team and Survey Results

Butusov reviewed the survey results, noting that 23 people have completed the survey and of those, 80% are interested in participating in a green team. Butusov added that most of the respondents like receiving email updates on topics. The committee discussed the need for more responses and will continue to work to advertise the survey, and we will leave it open through October.

d. Review of Mount Horeb Mail Column Promoting Green Team

The committee reviewed the draft article prepared by Butusov. The committee will review and provide comments to Administrator Owen. We will look to publish in September.

e. Idling Campaign Discussion

White reported he is researching the cost of purchasing idling signs and posts. He feels 10 signs around the schools would be sufficient at a cost of \$35 per sign, not including the cost of the post. White will forward the EPA tool kit to the committee. The committee discussed a joint resolution from the School Board and Village to publicize and support the effort.

4) Meeting adjournment.

Motion by Gottwald to adjourn, seconded by Beheler. Motion carried 8:11 p.m.