

**TOWN OF EXETER
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FINAL MEETING MINUTES
10/21/24**

Meeting was called to order by Chris at 7:02pm

Members present: Chris Zigmont, Chetana Parmar, Ryan Jean, Nina Braun, Denise Short

Staff and Select Board Member Present:

Dan Chartrand, Select Board Representative

Kristen Murphy, Conservation & Sustainability Planner

Minutes

Change the date to June 11, 2024. Motion by Chetana, 2nd by Nina to approve meeting minutes from June 11, 2024 as amended. Motion passes, unanimously.

Correspondence

- None

EV Charging and Styrofoam CIP Projects

- Kristen provided an overview of the Styrofoam recycling project. The committee entered into brief question answer period. Chris motioned to provide a letter of support, 2nd by Chetana. Motion passed unanimously.
- Kristen provided an overview of the Water Street parking lot electric vehicle charging proposal. Chris motioned to provide a letter of support, 2nd by Ryan. Motion passed unanimously.

Styrofoam Drive

- Committee looking to host a Styrofoam drive this year and would like to promote a regular event until/if the recycling program begins. Chetana and Chris to work together to identify date/collaboration with Exeter high school enviro club's electronics recycling.

Coastal Resilience Grant

- Kristen provided an overview of the grant proposal. Project entails hiring a consultant to conduct a public involved process for sea level rise resilience planning and design for Swasey Parkway. More to come on this project.

Continental Drive Police Station

- Chris met with Dave Sharples to discuss the project status. He is interested in having the SAC engage with Dave to look at ways the project can strive to meet the intent of net zero vote, given the physical limitations of the site.
- Motion to appoint Ryan to subcommittee by Chris. 2nd by Chetana. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion to appoint Denise to subcommittee by Chris. 2nd by Chetana. Motion passed unanimously.

- Chris to set up a meet and greet with Dave (in person or by email) to initiate discussion.

Window Dressers

- Kristen provided an overview of the program. Various ways volunteers can get involved. 1) help measure (Chris would like to), 2) volunteer at January build, 3) share information about opportunity to order inserts/volunteer with others. Chris was interested in helping to measur.

Solid Waste Subcommittee – deferred discussion to next meeting

Other Business:

- Promote pumpkin composing at the transfer station. Kristen to check on bin capacity.
- NHSaves Button Up workshop (energy efficiency and rebates) will be hosted by the Energy Committee at the library on 11/19 from 6-7:30 pm.
- Ryan to invite Revision sustainability coordinator to next meeting if he is available.

With no additional business, Chris adjourned the meeting at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristen Murphy