



Minutes of the NEC Regular Meeting, April 16, 2019

Members Present: Nicole Weisstanner, Debora Mosher, Ken Parker, Rooney Rosmer, Karen Forget, Harry Kenyon, Audrey Webb, Megan Hale, Roberto Lovick, Sue Williams, Bethal Abraham, Amelia Bonheur, Stephen Leaman, Kari Buchanan, Sharon Smith, Theresa Dunleavy, Fleta Jackson.

Members Excused: Crissie Crusemire, Andrew Haas, Juan Morgan, Cynthia Shurling.

Members Absent: Mary Carson-Stiff

Ex-Officio Members Present: Bill Speidel, Androse Jefferson, Justin Shafer, Capt. Chris Bryant, Nathan Bowman.

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chair.
2. Presentation: Jan Wright and Rick Strauss, St. Patrick's Catholic School gave an overview of the numerous activities the school provides to promote environmental experiences for their students.
3. Bill Speidel reported that the Lafayette Park Adult Fitness area will open soon. He reported on Bay Oaks Park project.
4. Awards: Rooney presented committee work on awards program and the new Eco Steward Award which will be given to individuals, organizations or businesses to recognize their efforts towards environmental sustainability.
 - a. Further award programs are in progress.
 - b. On a trial basis commissioners, may nominate organizations for the Eco Steward Award.
5. The minutes of the March meeting were approved.
6. Director's Report: The Ernie Morgan Center was vandalized over the weekend. Police report made.
 - a. The HHW/E center at Pineridge will close May 1, operations to be handled by SPSA. hours Tuesday and Saturdays 12 to 4. Electronic waste and shredding will be at 1188 Lance Road
 - b. Diggs Town/NRHA project continues to evolve.
 - c. Great American Cleanup continues through June 1.
7. Androse Jefferson reported no change to curbside recycling at this time.
8. High School Rep: Two applications have been received.
9. May TBA. June speaker, Norfolk Tug Company.
10. Audrey reported on the Mayors Climate Change Action Plan which was presented to City Council April 2.

11. Deep Creek Middle School: Discussion re. NPS cafeteria recycling.
12. NEC recycling website. Commissioners requested to send information pertaining on businesses that take items for recycling.
13. Justin reported on Lindenwood project. We are moving towards bid and construction on a stormwater wetland at the corner of Colley and Brambleton. HRSD determined high bacteria levels are due to wildlife, dogs, and environmental factors.
14. FONE: Debora reported plans for 4 Living Legacy Groves. Working on grant for Diggs Town Recreation Center community garden.
15. Nathan announced Norfolk Shoreline Buffer Restoration Training at Lakewood this coming Saturday.

The meeting was adjourned.