

## CEC Meeting Minutes – February 8, 2022

### Attendees:

Sheila Blum	Dian Seidel
Dan Clohossey	Stuart Sessions
Sally Kelly	Joy White

### Minutes

- Last month's meeting minutes were approved
- Dan used a PowerPoint to lead the rest of the meeting discussion
- Key topics discussed:
  - Greening Town Operations – Sally will work on creating a resolution type of document for CEC to endorse and Joy to present to Council; had a good discussion about scope of resolution and making it clear that the intent is for “sustainability” or environmental considerations to be taken into account consistently in a broader set of Town activities (policies, contracts, key decisions, sustainability and not just cost, etc.). Takoma Park's and the National policies were mentioned as possible templates or idea-generating examples to use.
  - Rosemary Garden – Sheila presented the RG concept paper that she and Dian have worked on; had a good discussion about some of the details including scope, timing, possible phasing, RFP for design, challenges of amenities (e.g. need for ADA-compliance), what to do about trees and possible use of neighbor labor to accomplish some of the implementation (eg weekend crew to remove invasives, Town woodworkers make benches), challenge of water features in terms of plumbing & maintenance needed, overall maintenance plan; Sheila & Dian will revise the concept paper for review and approval at our next meeting
  - Healthy Lawns - Stuart discussed plans for an April webinar relating to the Healthy Lawns ordinance and having it be half on that topic but half on broader “healthy planting practice” topics – he's looking for people to help prepare and present the content but will look to schedule it prior to the April 24 Town Event where CEC will be tabling
  - Gas-Powered Leaf Blower Bank - Dan gave a brief update including Simma's plans for a 2<sup>nd</sup> landscaper letter, yard signs, Town communications etc.; she is working on rolling these things out over the next 1-2 months.
- Dan briefly reviewed upcoming events including March 10 Town Tree Program, March 19 County GoElectric event and March 31 County Climate Plan update
- Forecast: Sally is doing the March Forecast tip and Sheila will do April
- Because of Dan's travel schedule (out of country Feb 17-Mar 12), we will reschedule the March CEC – Dan will send a Doodle poll to find the best date.