

Town of Simsbury

933 HOPMEADOW STREET SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes January 4, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.

Conducted via Zoom

Meeting ID: 722 232 2789

PUBLIC COMMENTS to be read during the public audience portion can be submitted to the Town Clerk at townclerk@simsbury-ct.gov up to 4:30pm on the day prior to the meeting.

Leah Pitfield

Ray Harris

Joe Daly

Lydia Tedone

Mark Scully

Amy McClean

Jesse Schofield

Susan Van Kleef

Brian Burkhart

Bayard faithful

Jennifer Weymouth

Jami Lewchik

- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call
- 2) Public Audience
- 3) Approval of December 2023 Minutes
 - a) Mark was supposed to be Michael for seconding of
 - b) 705 to be 805 end time
 - c) Lydia motioned for approval, seconded by Jami Lewchik, all voted aye, Amy McClean abstained
- 4) Updates from Ex-Officio Boards
 - a) Lydia Tedone talked about the work the board of ed is doing related to the upcoming budget and an update on the Latimer lane construction
 - Joe Daly reviewed the annual statistics for the swap shop, and how the weather impacted their work
- 5) Planned/Ongoing/Potential Activities
 - a) Request for Sustainability Coordinator
 - Mark is meeting with town officials to help evaluate sustainability coordinator position
 - ii) Committee discussed the position

- b) Food Waste
 - i) Committee updated the efforts at Squadron line school for food waste recycling
 - ii) Committee had a broader discussion on ideas for encouraging and facilitating food composting in Town
- c) Simsbury Sustainability Coalition
 - i) Mark has sent out invitations to Town groups to join the proposed coalition, committee discussed goals and approach to coalition
- d) Sustainability Newsletter/Comms Team
 - i) Committee discussed short and long form approaches to increase outreach to the town residents
 - (1) Discussed what items were being considered for the newsletter
- e) 2024 Sustainability Fair
 - i) Looking to hold a standalone sustainable fair at the Town Library, looking to partner with the library to increase awareness
 - ii) Committee discussed possible partnerships and partners that might present at the fair
- 6) Open Forum
 - a) Motion to adjourn by Lydia Tedone, seconded by Joe Daly, all voted aye meeting ended at 7:52 pm

Key Links:

• Shared Committee Google Calendar

Members

Ex Officio

Holly Beum, Planning Commission Joe Daly, Recycling Committee Michelle Lipur, Culture, Parks & Rec Lydia Tedone, Board of Education At-Large

Jami Lewchik Amy McLean Michael Schulitz Mark Scully