

Commission Members:

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AGENDA

Greener Boro Commission
Thursday, December 5, 2024
6:00 PM
City Council Chambers

- I. Call to order: Jon motioned to approve minutes, Helen seconded
 - a. GB present: Lissa, Jon, Helen, Alyson, David, Andrew, Jill, Don, Mac-ex officio, Victor
 - b. non-GB: Shari, Marcos, guests: Deandre
- II. Approval of minutes from Nov. 7, 2024
 - a. Alyson motioned to approve, Jon seconded
- III. Old Business:
 - A. Bicycle plan updates
 - a. Helen, Don, Andrew will meet again to begin to identify where to put signage and how to connect what trails/bike lanes already exist. Our next step is to put the map that Helen created on the GB website. We need to add a response option as well. Maybe use SurveyMonkey?
 - b. Andrew reached back out to BikeWalkSavannah. He will attend one of their meetings soon.
 - B. Greener Boro Commission brochure feedback
 - a. Table until next meeting
 - C. Holiday celebration tabling
 - a. Chili town is out
 - b. Christmas in the Boro on Sat Dec 7 - bird feeding activity from recycled materials
 - D. Resilience Accelerator Workshop on January 9th
 - a. Several community leaders (elected officials, developers, engineers, commissions) will come together and discuss issues and gaps. After the workshop, we will need someone to keep the momentum going. Would like for it to lead to a resiliency plan. Lissa will represent GB.
 - E. Discussions:
 - a. How do we ensure that new construction includes bike lanes?

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- b. At the W Main meeting Lissa asked about bike lanes and the answer was “not enough room”. She also asked about bike racks and they said maybe. She also asked about charging stations...they basically said the cost is high and other entities would have to be involved.
 - c. We could add a link to a map showing charging stations in the area
- IV. New Business:
- A. Ex officio student position for Greener Boro Commission
 - a. David motioned to accept Mac as an ex officio member, Alyson seconded
 - B. Herbicide report from city & discussion
 - a. Marcos distributed a printed report to GB members. Frequency of application depends on how much it rains. More rain, more chemicals. Used to kill mosquitos, ants, slow the grass growth. Parks are maintained by the county except Edgewood. In the spring of 2025, Public Works will try an alternative called Ripagreen. It basically torches the vegetation.
 - b. Jon asked, “How can we raise concerns to the city about specific chemicals”? It may be best to draft a memo to the city with recommendations on alternatives to use instead of the specific chemicals they use that are banned in the EU. We will research the chemicals and report to Marcos.
 - C. February 1 Family Fun Resource Fair participation
 - a. 10am-1:30pm at SVC - invite students to help. Have an activity for kids and inform the public of what GB does. Swag - cuff for leg, vest
- V. Adjournment - Jill motioned to adjourn, Alyson seconded.

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