

Collierville Environmental Commission Minutes  
July 14, 2020

**Call to Order:**

John Fox, Public Works/Town Liaison, called the meeting to order at 6:32pm. In attendance were David Perry, Carlos Bibbs, Sheila Bentley, Charles Green, Mary Prascak, Michael Kelly, Rebecca Lassiter, Sophia Douglas. Absent: Valerie Tingley.

**New Teen Member:**

David thanked the outgoing Teen Member, Rebecca Lassiter for her service to the board and welcomed the new Teen Member, Sophia Douglas. All in attendance introduced themselves.

**Old Business:**

**Collierville Forward:**

David spoke on behalf of Valerie. He continued the discussion to recognize Girl Scout Troop 13141 for their efforts completing their Silver Award. They chose to do a project on composting, involving organizing, volunteering & educating others at the Collierville Victory Garden. It was proposed by Mary and seconded by Sheila that John will purchase a \$100 gift card to Russell's Farm Supply. John will also coordinate with Val to invite the Troop to a BMA meeting for formal recognition.

Sheila will coordinate the next subcommittee meeting, scheduled for 7/28 at 5pm via zoom. All board members will be invited to join.

**E-Cycle Plan:**

Dave introduced the board to Omega Recycling Solutions. Carlos will lead up this E-Cycling Day. The company will pick up recyclable materials at a central location on a specific date. Carlos will report his findings at the August meeting.

**Water/Superfund:**

For clarification and introduction to Sophia, Mike gave an overview of the Smalley Piper Superfund Site, giving background of hexavalent chromium groundwater contamination from 2003. It was decided that he will draft a letter for the purposes of opening communication to the TOC in an effort to raise awareness and action in a timely manner.

**General Town Recycling:**

The need for more public education and areas with many violations were discussed. There are many options including: magnets, stickers for trash/recycling cans, messages on utility bills, door hangers etc. John is working with Jennifer Casey on this. Sophia Douglas will work with Jennifer Casey and CHS will do morning spots on their school news station when school is in session.

**New Business:**

**Town Updates:**

John informed the board that the budget for the new fiscal year will be \$2000.

John informed the board that a new landfill was approved on 7/13. Using Quad County Landfill will save \$116,000 annually, with \$30,500 of that being fuel savings.

John informed the board that Amber Green, representing the recycling processor in Chester County will be put on the agenda for the next board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Prascak, Vice Chairman