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**Sustainability Committee Minutes  
October 27, 2011**

- I. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance.**
- III. Roll Call.**  
Present: Rick Sprott, Cindy Sprott, Scott Jones, Christie Germscheid, Tara Chisum, Scott Gibson, Guy Wood  
Excused: Jerry Halpern, Carol Rupp, Nate Roberts, Sharon Schultz  
Absent: None  
Guest: None
- IV. Approval of Agenda.** A motion was made by Tara to approve the agenda. Guy seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.
- V. Approval of Minutes.** Minutes from July 28, 2011 were approved unanimously. Tara made the motion to approve. Cindy seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.
- VI. Reports**
- A. Education and Outreach (E&O) Tara
1. Tara reported on the business assessment program. No meetings have been held since last month. We are waiting for sector meeting reports from the Chamber of Commerce.
  2. Moreno Valley High School Trash Bash was a great success. Approximately 90 students were in attendance. Students collected recyclable materials and trash to look at sorting and contamination problems. Tara has entered the school into the National Recycling Bowl with the tracking and measuring figures. There is a \$1000.00 award for the winning school. We need to get higher participation from teachers in the school for future events. It was suggested that each group, supported by a teacher, would be assigned a commodity to focus on. Charts should be made to track progress and future goals. Students have volunteered to write future Trash Talk articles. Tara has a student who would like to write next weeks article about the Trash Bash.
  3. Tara reported that NMRC flyers were mailed out yesterday (Weds Oct 26<sup>th</sup>). Angel Fire will receive 1500 flyers. We need to look at them and decide the best use and placement for them.
  4. America Recycles Day/Recycling Awareness Month The Moreno Valley High School is planning on scheduling a visit to the Angel Fire Transfer Station as an event towards winning the National Recycling Bowl award. The Angel Fire Ski School would like to join in the tour. The Ski team is planning to do a toner cartridge collection for recycling in the near future.
  5. Angel Fire Resort "Calling All Flakes" will be November 12<sup>th</sup>. We do not plan on having a recycling booth because of weather/protection concerns. Tracy Boyd is arranging for bins for recyclables. They will be located near the food and beverage areas. We need to have someone take pictures of where they are located and how they are being used to send to KAB so that we can be considered in future grant opportunities.
- Action Items:**
1. Tara – make best use of posters provided by NMRC.
  2. Tara – arrange a tour of the Transfer Station for MVHS and Angel Fire Ski School.
  3. All – Use the NMRC flyer "What do we do with it now?" And make recommendations to Tara to adapt it for Angel Fire requirements.
  4. Carol and Cindy – work on a mascot costume.
  5. Cindy – follow up on bear traveling trophy.
- B. E&O – Business – Carol and Sharon
1. Deferred.
- Action Items:**
1. Business sector meeting results to Tara – Sharon.

C. E&O – Residential – Jerry

1. Jerry was excused. Rick reported that the magnet design will be sent out to committee members for final vote and sent out for printing, with Village fund approval.

**Action Items:**

1. Rick – Get Village approval and funding for magnet purchase order. Place order for magnets.

D. E&O – Media - Guy

1. Guy reported that the “Lights for Life” program for last year was a success. The report stated that 23 tons of Christmas lights were collected nationwide. 13 tons came from the Rocky Mountain region. This is the fourth year of the program. No actual numbers were collected from the Taos area. Angel Fire contributed a large amount collected for the Taos Ace Hardware contribution.

The collection resulted in two families from Colorado receiving funds to help with cancer related costs. This year, two weeks prior to Thanksgiving, bins will be available to collect lights in the two Taos Ace Hardware locations.

We need to do a Trash Talk article before decorating season to let people know about the program. The second week in November would be a good time. We should emphasize the energy savings, and also the safety issues.

**Action Item:**

1. Guy - Provide an article on “Lights for Life” and recycling program for Angel Fire for the second week in November Chronicle.
2. Guy – Get “transparent” mascot figures from Carol to get to the Chronicle for filler information.
3. Guy – Get information to print on the back of November utility bills on recycling.
4. Guy – Provide Chamber of Commerce the filler information to include “OSO” the bear for Chamber Blast. Also send to Maren and Dave D. at the resort for their employee newsletter.
5. Add a filler for the Chronicle to remind people that the green trailers are for “Corrugated Cardboard Only”. Please flatten before placing in the trailer.

E. Resort -Nate and Christie

1. Christie reports that each department at the resort is taking care of their recycling bin needs. Waylon is taking initiative for the Green Teams to assist in the process.

**Action Items:** None

F. Grants and Website - Scott J.

1. Scott J. reported that there has been no new activity on grant opportunities.

**Action Items:**

1. Scott J. send Rick a list of what is expected from KAB to justify the 250 bins we received and plans for their use.
2. Scott – determine how to distribute the Anhauser Busch grant bins to businesses.
3. Scott J. - Coordinate with Michelle V. and Chris C. on a link to our website.
3. All – Send out the website to your friends and contacts on Face book to develop a larger community.
4. Scott J. – Continue to search of grant opportunities.

G. Committee Administration - Cindy and Rick

1. Rick reported on the progress of the recycling park. He plans to show Larry L. the design when he returns to town. So far the following businesses have expressed an interest on helping on landscaping: Pacheco’s Landscaping, Canyon Landscaping, and Olguin Landscaping. They can provide shielding trees/shrubs for protection and possibly pathways leading to the kiosks which could be rock or gravel. This would tie in nicely with the work being done at the corners of North Angel Fire Road and highway 434. The beautification needs to be done in order to eliminate the “trashy” and inconsistent look of the current park. Rick asked Scott G. if it would be possible to put a solid door on the back of the trailers to screen the boxes inside. Rick will get back with John Kitts on where we are at on signage around town. If the bids are not done yet, Rick will get bids from contractors. We would like to get signs at each entrance to the park and two instructional signs.

**Action Items:**

1. Rick – Get contact information and image from the resort for signage.
2. Rick – Contact local businesses on recycling park landscaping project.
3. Rick - Check on status of old bus stop materials for kiosks in the recycling park.

4. Scott G. – Check with Brian on putting covers on the rear of the trailers.
5. Rick or Tara – post agenda for next scheduled meeting.
6. Rick – get commitments from Larry L. on funds for magnets, cards, flyers, etc.
7. All – give Rick an estimate of hours spent on committee work.
8. Rick – give Chris Campbell the report on the in-kind work from the committee.
9. Cindy/Rick - Include Andrew Gonzales. on minutes and information that will be useful to the M.V.H.S. efforts.

#### H. Planning and Hub Relationship – Rick

1. Rick reported that Cimarron is still re-grouping from the recent re-organization. They are starting again on grants, etc. Rick is still trying to setting up a meeting with Cimarron and Philmont on their solid waste RFP's.

##### **Action Items:**

1. Rick - Work on MOU's for spokes.
2. Rick- Work with Eagle Nest Park to find a better location or use for the Alley Cat.
3. Rick - Continue to work on Angel Fire Recycling Plan.
4. Rick – Work with Cimarron and Philmont on getting a local transporter for recyclables.
5. Rick – Call Acorn Graphics on park signs and stickers for bins.

#### I. Department Operations - Scott G.

1. Scott reported on the e-waste trailer plan. Joel B. is coming up to Angel Fire and will get with the Transfer Station staff to get something established. It was suggested that we look at a way to take televisions with a fee charged for disposal.
2. Scott is checking with Christine on getting the data we need for reporting. She is having some trouble getting the data gathered but is working on some spreadsheets to get the information we need. The annual report is due right after January 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. The new blue recycling trailer has arrived. Rick went out to look at it and talk to Butch about how we can best use it. It loads from the top, which could be a problem for short or small people.

##### **Action Items:**

1. Scott G. – Coordinate with Joel B. on an e-waste collection container.
2. Scott G. – Have Christine email prior month's data to Rick by 15<sup>th</sup> of following month.
3. Scott G. – Add cooking oil collected & bio-diesel produced and mixed paper to monthly statistics.
4. Scott G. – Provide dates for a public open house and tour of the transfer station this fall. (Smaller groups are best and Mondays and Fridays are not good due to weekend workloads)
5. Scott G. – Provide committee with report on how bulb crusher can be employed without triggering any state or federal waste requirements.
6. Rick and Scott – Determine the best use and location of the new blue trailer.

#### **VII. Old Business**

No old business.

#### **VIII. New Business**

Determine a date for the next meeting due to the upcoming holidays.

#### **IX. Requests and Responses from the Audience**

None.

#### **X. Next meeting will be at Village Hall, date and time TBD.**

#### **QUOTE OF THE DAY**

“The thought manifests the word. The word manifests the deed. The deed develops into habit.  
And the habit hardens into character. So watch the thought and its way with care.  
And let it spring from love, born out of concern for all beings.”  
Buddha