

**TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE
MINUTES OF THE MARCH 23, 2021
GREEN TEAM MEETING**

The meeting of the Green Team Committee was called to order by Patrick Berry on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 2:02 p.m. via Zoom.

Zoom Attendance:

The following Green Team Committee members were present:

Patrick Berry, Chair and Mountain Village Town Council
Marti Prohaska, Vice Chair and Mountain Village Town Council
Cath Jett, Mountain Village Resident
Jonathan Greenspan, Mountain Village Resident
Jonette Bronson, Mountain Village Resident
Marla Meridith, Telluride Mountain Village Owner's Association
Inga Johansson, Alternate Seat

The following were absent:

Erin Kress, Telluride Ski and Golf Company

The following were also in attendance:

Zoe Dohnal, Business Development & Sustainability Director (Staff)
Christina Lambert, Senior Deputy Town Clerk (Staff)
Heather Knox
Karissa Mielke
Todd Brown
Colleen Trout

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Agenda Item 2- Inga Johansson introduced her friend, Karissa Mielke, who works for Eco Action Partners. Ms. Mielke said hello to the Committee. No other public comment was received.

Consideration of Approval of Minutes:

Agenda Item 3- February 11, 2021 Green Team Committee Meeting Minutes

Marti Prohaska noted a minor typo which was fixed by Christina Lambert. On a **MOTION** by Patrick Berry and seconded by Marti Prohaska, the Green Team Committee voted unanimously to approve the February 11, 2021 meeting minutes as presented.

Discussion and Committee Follow Up/Next Steps:

- Agenda Item 4- Revisit 2021 Green Team Committee Work Plan:
 - **NEXT STEPS:** Patrick Berry presented this item to the committee and discussion took place.
 - All items from the 2021 work plan were discussed in detail.
 - Action items include: Plastics Resolution Implementation and Education- We need to remove Upstream from the Work Plan. REMP Funds Allocation- we need to remove this from the Work Plan because it is a duplicate item.

- Agenda Item 5- Discussion Regarding Upstream Contract:
 - **NEXT STEPS:** Inga Johansson presented this item to the committee and discussion took place.
 - Inga attached a memo in the packet.
 - We presented a new idea to Upstream to do the Farmer's Market outreach. Upstream decided that there wasn't enough impact, so they decided to pull out of the project.
 - The website is completely out of date and will need to be updated.
 - Inga reminded the committee that she will be resigning from the committee in September and mentioned that Karissa Meilke could potentially assist with the plastics subcommittee and the Green Team.
 - Inga will schedule another subcommittee meeting to discuss how to move forward.
 - The subcommittee will meet and come back to the Green Team with a recommendation.

- Agenda Item 6- Mountain Village Waste Study Audit/Reusable to-go Containers Discussion:
 - **NEXT STEPS:** Jonathan Greenspan presented this item to the committee and discussion took place.
 - Jonathan received numbers from staff and will put those in the Google drive.
 - There is a lot to discuss regarding reusables so this item will need to be discussed at another meeting.
 - Jonathan encouraged the committee to email him with any questions and he will try to answer them.

- Agenda Item 7- Solar Subcommittee Update:
 - **NEXT STEPS:** Marti Prohaska presented this item to the committee and discussion took place.
 - We are going to have a RFP approved by the end of May.
 - There will be up to \$5,000 for deed restricted houses and \$2,500 for non-deed restricted houses. That is just the Mountain Village incentive component. There are also

federal tax credits and a San Miguel Power Association incentive. It could potentially add up to quite a bit.

- We have already signed up a lot of members for the co-op.
- There has been great marketing by staff.
- Our goal is to get as many members as we can until it closes on May 15, 2021.
- We need to create a committee that will review the RFP's and choose an installer.
- We had a meeting with Solar United and will get an updated count on how many people signed up for the co-op. It's about a 20% conversion rate. Our goal is to sign up around 50 people with hopes of getting 20 of those to install solar.
- Marti will talk to Michelle about neighbors' trees blocking panels per Jonathan's request.
- Patrick reminded the committee that TMVOA contributed another \$25,000 to this program so it's fairly well funded.

➤ Agenda Item 8- Clean Up Day Subcommittee Update:

- **NEXT STEPS:** Jonathan Greenspan and Marla Meridith presented this item to the committee and discussion took place.
- We will know a lot more in the next several weeks.
- We have a great marketing plan from previous years established by Zoe.

➤ Agenda Item 9- Planet Over Plastics Update:

- **NEXT STEPS:** Inga Johansson presented this item to the committee and discussion took place.

➤ Agenda Item 10- Composting Subcommittee Update:

- **NEXT STEPS:** Jonathan Greenspan and Patrick Berry presented this item to the committee and discussion took place.
- The survey had 8 respondents.
- It scored pretty well.
- Patrick discussed the results in detail.
- We could move to a broader based community program that would pair with the farm to community program. Or a hybrid of doing both that and reupping a few units into this program. Or we could go with another round of in-home composting units. Those are three possible pathways.
- We could move forward with a broader based community composting effort and put that effort through May to see if we can get something done.
- If we can't find a site and we can't find transportation to Norwood we can then reallocate any unused funds for an in-home unit.
- There is also a lot of interest in the current in-person service offered through Mark. You fill a bucket and he will pick it up for a minimal fee. This is gaining a lot of traction.
- We could consider subsidizing this program.

- Zoe will reach out to Mark to inquire about his capacity limits and she will follow up with the committee after she finds out additional information.
- We will discuss this further at the next Green Team Committee meeting.
- The composting subcommittee will schedule another meeting in the next couple weeks and will bring information back to the Green Team Committee during the next meeting.

➤ Agenda Item 11- Items for Consideration:

- The San Miguel Watershed Coalition Update will be brought up by Patrick during a future Town Council meeting.
- Quarterly Reporting- The 1st Quarter Report needs to be presented to Town Council on April 22, 2021.
- Forest Health- This can be added to a future agenda.
- Patrick directed staff (via email) to remove this section of the agenda moving forward.
- These items can remain fluid and discussed under other business as needed.

Other Business:

Agenda Item 12-

Patrick Berry reminded the Green Team Committee that they should not make direct work requests to Town staff. The committee needs to go through Patrick or Marti to make any request for staff assistance.

There being no further business, on a **MOTION** by Marti Prohaska and seconded by Cath Jett, the Green Team Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 3:32 p.m.

Reminder:

The next Green Team Committee meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Lambert

Senior Deputy Town Clerk
Town of Mountain Village