

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Community Enhancement Commission Meeting**

August 27, 2015

Thursday, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall  
Upstairs – Lobby Meeting Room

Green Expo – April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – Check to see if the VVFD can be reserved for that date.

- Place Expo date on Calendar
- Try something new and different for the Expo

Items for Calendars

- Native Plant Sale – fall
- Green Expo 2016 April 28, 2016

Electronic Recycling Day at DPW

- Working with Dennis Johnson
- Make presentation to Town Council

Dominion Power Recycling Refrigerators Program

- Notification?
  - Next article (Tara) Recycling? Working title, "Long journey from consumption to recycling to consumption again".
    - Dominion Power recycling program

National Wildlife Habitats

- Education vehicle
- Most of these programs are not within the limits
- There are certain requirements that need to be met
- Monarch Challenge – Towns across the country compete
- CEC needs to complete application process

Wildwood Park – changing the status /name from Parks to Parks Conservation

- Working with Planning and Zoning (Jennifer Murphy)
- Council Work session
- Planning Commission, then back to Town Council for blessing/approval

Green Sanctuary Certification

- Comments from the group about this type of certification
- Maybe working church groups
- Look for someone within the church to help carry the water for this certification
- Take a look at going outside the Town limits

Tree Preservation – update 8/27/2015

- Set-backs (alter set-back limits)
- CEC met with Director Patrick Mulhern of Planning and Zoning

- Talk about easing set-back limits
- Code revisions
  - Drafting a memo about the benefits of Tree Canopy preservation
- Some measures already in place within the Town code
- Idea is to working with owners, general contractors and developers
- Work to recognize builders for the preservation of tree canopy lots
  - Vienna Tree builders Award? Maybe?!
- Increase Staffing with site plan reviews and enforcement

#### Native Plant Sale – Weekend after Labor Day (Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016)

- Alternate date September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- Check with VVFD about using their parking lot to hold the plant sale
- Contact Jean (VVFD)

#### Ivy-free Vienna

- Signage for Home owners – I'm making my home English Ivy-free

#### Community Garden – starting to take shape

- Mary Woods is the driving force
- Learning Garden
  - Youth programming
  - Programming Garden Classes (both youth and adult)
  - Camp programming
  - Need some support from the Community
  - Need man power (recruitment?)
- Article – featuring the community garden
- Town recognition on behalf of the work being done in the Community Garden
  - **Volunteer Award 2015**
- Talk with Bob McCahill about writing an article for the NEVCA newsletter