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Our Mission:

To implement the ambitious and urgent goals of the Green Worcester Sustainability and Resilience Strategic Plan (GWP), a roadmap for making Worcester the greenest mid-size city in the country.

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Meeting Agenda

Green Worcester Advisory Committee

Monday, April 8, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
Location: Esther Howland, City Hall, 455 Main St.

*This meeting will be held in-person
with an option to also join remotely (see the bottom of the agenda for details).*

Call To Order

1. Welcome

2. Approval of Minutes – March 11, 2024 (Attachment A)

3. New Business

- a. Discussion of community concerns regarding use of chemical treatments on public water bodies
- b. Discussion of how to maximize progress on sustainability initiatives by making the best possible use of available resources

4. DSR Major Projects' Status Updates

- a. Green Worcester Summit: Building Resilience, Together; 5/11/2024 (Attachment B)
- b. Miyawaki Forests and CoolPockets (MVP Grant); Status Update and Upcoming Events (Attachments C, D)
- c. Drainage and Stormwater Master Plan (MVP Grant); Status Update and Community Engagement – Sustainable Yards Initiative
- d. GHG Inventory Status Update
- e. Lakes and Ponds Program; State of the Lakes and WCMC Data Summit Recap

5. Standing Items

- a. Community Outreach
- b. Community Feedback
- c. Media
 - i. 'Trash Talk' with Miranda Hotham
 - ii. Planting Miyawaki Forests and CoolPockets in Worcester, Spectrum News Article (Attachment E)
- d. Upcoming Events (not DSR organized)

Adjournment

Attachments

Attachment A: March 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Attachment B: Agenda - Green Worcester Summit: Building Resilience, Together; 5/11/2024

Attachment C: Miyawaki Forest Planting Days at McGrath Flyer

Attachment D: Miyawaki Forest Planting Days at Plumley Village Flyer

Attachment E: Planting Miyawaki Forests and CoolPockets in Worcester, Spectrum News Article

2024 Upcoming Meetings

Green Worcester Advisory Committee meetings begin on Mondays at 5:30pm:

May 13 - Levi Lincoln

June 10 - Esther Howland

July 15 - Esther Howland

September 9 - Esther Howland

October 21 - Esther Howland

November 18 - Esther Howland

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