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GROW Ecological Commission Regular Meeting

March 6, 2025 @ 6:30pm

Village Hall Board Room

1. **6:30 - Call to Order**
2. **Pledge**
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Inspiration – Kari Roberg**
 - a. Next Month
5. **Review of Minutes – Nikki Way (5 min)**
 - a. Approval of 2/6/25 regular meeting minutes
6. **Quarterly Reports – Liz W-Chase (5 min)**
 - a. Q1 - 2025:
7. **Updates from Village Staff and Board Representatives – (10 min) Annie Canavan, Evie Slavic**
8. **Old Business (70 min)**
 - a. **Greenest Region Compact (GRC) and Subcommittee Updates – LeeAnn Kruszynski (20 min)**
 - a. Subcommittee reports:
 - i. Water – Mariana Nicolae/Walt
 - ii. Municipal Operations – Kari Roberg/Lee
 - iii. Climate – Lee/Kari
 - iv. Energy – Liz/Walt Wojcik
 - b. Next Steps – Kari
 - b. **SBC Stipend Submissions Fiscal Year Ending 4/25 – Liz (5 minutes)**

c. Upcoming Event support Needs (10 min)

d. Newsletter Article Ideas/Support (10 min)

- a. April – Kari
- b. May -

9. Comments (5 min)

- i. Commission Comments
- ii. Staff/Board Comments

10. Public Participation - *In order to give as many visitors as possible an opportunity to speak and in the interest of adjourning the meeting by 8:00 p.m., please limit your comments to 3 minutes in length, unless further time is granted by the Commission.*

11. Adjournment

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2025 Planning Calendar			
Event	Organizer	Date	
Artisan Fair Tabling – Food Pantry	Walt	March 23	Proposed
April Movie Night - Common Ground	Walt	April 24, 2025	In Process
International Water Day	Mariana	March 22	Proposed
Guided Tour of Metropolitan Water Reclamation District	Mariana	Spring 2025	Proposed
Earth Day		April 22	In Process?
Arbor Day – Oak?		April 25, 2025	In Process?
International Composting Awareness Week Tabling - TBD	Liz	May 4 - 10	Proposed
Air Quality Awareness Week Tabling - TBD	Liz	May 5 - 9	Proposed
Waste Collection with SCARCE	Kari	Spring 2025	Proposed
Climate Action Event	Walt	Spring/Summer 2025	Proposed
July 4 th Parade / EV Car Show		July 4 th	Proposed
Solar Event with CUB	Liz	Summer 2025	Proposed
Home Electrification	Liz	Summer 2025	Proposed

Newsletter Calendar		
Month	Article Topic	Author
Monthly	Plant Based Recipes	Kari
Monthly	Monthly Green Fact	Walt
January 2025	Improving Your Indoor Environment	
February 2025	Eco-Friendly Valentine's Day	Walt
March 2025	International Water Day	Mariana
April 2025	Tentative: Spring Lawn Care (Calendar?) /How to Compost/July 4 th EV Casting Call	Kari
May 2025		

2025 GROW Commission Priorities: Education/Engagement, Advisement, Climate Action Plan