

Eldorado/285Recycles Meeting September 12, 2017

PRESENT: S. Daniel, J. Durlak, J.Eigner, S. Garfitt, D. Gutierrez, L. Harrell, S. Levy, E. Maclaren, A. Rodney, A. Scott, S. Shanklin, M. Spears-Cihon, K. Sweeney, L. Ward, T. Ward, P. Weaver.

1. Approval of minutes of Aug. 8, 2017 mtg Sues -August minutes unanimously approved.

* timekeeper – Sue G

2. Chair’s report-Sues .

* contact list update* Pat Weaver’s info is entered but we will send out at a later date in case there are other changes so as not to confuse anyone.

3. Treasurer’s report – Sue reported for Sheila.

Service charges. There was some discussion about getting these fees waived going forward

August Financials

Beginning Balance		\$2825.22	
Deposits	(1)		13.30
Checks	(4)		
	VGPL	\$ 28.00	Co-pay, volunteers
	Reunity	\$ 100.00	Services - Ice Cream Social
	Andrew	\$ 275.94	Signage
	Karen	\$ 86.65	Supplies - #5/+IceCream Social
Total Checks		\$ 490.59	
Service Charge	(2)@\$5	\$ 10.00	June & July

Ending Balance \$2337.93

4. Secretary’s report – Libby. - website visits: 2,156
hits: 14,904

Joe website issues-Domain charges.

Website charges-Joe wants to be taken off the account and the credit card changed.

In the future what do we want to do? Is it the responsibility of the treasurer?

Options to resolve the issue: a. Joe does research b. the bill needs to be paid.

5. New Projects/Ideas – Karen and Libby

1.Lobbying Efforts.

Possible Group: Joe E., Sue G. Karen who have been attending bi-monthly meetings with County Sustainability Office. Continue to work with County.

a.. Invite County Commissioners Anna Hamilton and Ed Moreno to one of our meetings (it will need to be at another time as the Commissioners meet at the same time as our meeting.)

b. Other issues: How are other jurisdictions enforcing ordinances? Joe is researching this. He goes often to County Commissioners Meetings. The Board meets twice a month. Members of our group

might attend second meeting of the month to get recycling on the agenda.

c. Joe E. suggested hiring Dave Yanke, consultant for 2014 Solid Waste Study, for his ideas on how we could move forward with a division that has little interest in reducing waste disposal and improving recycling. Joe will check on feasibility and cost.

2. Zero Waste Events. Possible group: Allayne, Marcia and Joe D. This year we have sponsored three major events in our community. Joe D suggested we archive what we have already done. Allayne suggested that we need an analysis of the work our group has done and create a how-to booklet on organizing a Zero Waste Event. There are many groups who would appreciate such information, including a separate packet for caterers. We could provide information without organizing events.

Allayne spoke about the event at Los Luceros, which her employer, NM Acequia Assn., made Zero Waste. Allayne and Karen helped. Stephanie has offered to make a presentation at the Eldorado Art Association.

For future discussion: Do we continue to assist local organizations with zero waste events annually or do we do it for certain time frame (3 yrs?), then turn it over to them.

3. Website. Should we have a separate page on our website for Zero Waste? Who will draft? Include private events such as Andrew's gathering and other public events Acequia Assn., Marti's Meals (Sue D. made a pitch to them).

4. ECIA. We need a point person to talk to. Sue G. will ask Fred Raznick, Facilities and Grounds Committee, how to approach this. There are two issues:

a. Instruct staff on basic recycling assuming the Board is in agreement.

b. Should Board enact policy that people holding events at ECIA provide recycling?

5. Attracting new members, more interest.

a. Host occasional evening meetings to attract people who cannot attend in late afternoon. Meetings would feature a presentation.

b. Consider library or Max Coll room at Sr. Center. Who will get information on each?

c. Possible topic and speaker, manager or representative of Goodwill, to educate public about the range of work that Goodwill carries out. Sue D. will make contact at Goodwill.

d. Larry offered to create, as part of our education efforts, a presentation and article on “Recycling: Why, How Recycling works?”

e. Stephanie suggested a demonstration on “How to Sort Your Worms from the Compost.”

f. Regular Meeting Presentations.

During regular meetings, individual members could offer short informative presentations on a topic of interest. Would not necessarily require action by us in the community.

6. Ongoing Efforts

a. Dental Collection. We need a point person. What to do with the collection/ income as the El Dorado School has little interest. Joe D will call Lisa Randall for a school recommendation and compose a letter about creating a dental collection at another school. Another letter might be sent to churches in the area, another possible collection point, and source of revenue for them.

b. Shoe collection. Sue D. will contact gyms in town to see if any want to pick up the idea. Information for them; no involvement by us.

Sue G. suggested bringing priorities to next meeting and decide what to move forward on and what should be first.

6. Current Events Follow Up.

* Ice Cream Social – Karen, et al. 431 tickets sold. Eldorado285 Recycles spent \$180 on Reunity, bowls and half price tickets. Where to go with the event.

* ReUse – Joe E. 6 volunteers cleaning up the area. Two more needed.

* Compost Tour-11 people signed up. Meet at ECIA at 7.30 a.m.

7. Upcoming Events.

* Fire Dept BBQ – Karen, Sues, Allayne.

Karen will send out schedule to volunteers. Fire Department is also providing volunteers and is open to making this a Zero waste event and a co=operative event with the fire department and Eldorado285/ Recycles. 800 people projected to attend. Our Eldorado285Recycles banners will be displayed. Karen is trying to get the New Mexican to cover the event.

8. Collections.

* shoes-Sue D. Going well

* pens-Joe E. Going well.

*#5's ,corks-Karen No problems

* Tom's, skin care-Shirley

* Compost-Marcia #133 installs. One install has an interesting pictures worthy vermicompost set up..

Marcia would like someone to take over her compost job of scheduling and hauling bales.

9. Vistas-DiAna. In the October issues of VISTAS, DiAna has written an article “Disposal of Pharmaceuticals.”

New ideas for future issues-1. Why Recycle. Using Larry’s research. 2. How to make your event Zero Waste.

10. SFES (SF Environmental Services) – Adam. Not present.

11. Government Affairs – Joe E.

12. New Business. **SF Recycle Arts Event** in November. At the Children’s Recycle area, Allayne and the group can set up our Match and Toss Game.

Joe D-Road clean-up in October -Joe will determine the date.

13. Adjournment- Sue. 6.04 p.m.

* next meeting October 10