

An Environmental Policy Task Force meeting was held on Wednesday, February 26th, 2020, at 6:00 pm in Room 306 of the Government Office Building at 125 N. Division Street in Salisbury. In attendance were: Task Force Chair Dave Nemazie, Mayor Day, Councilor Michele Gregory, Mario Ramirez, Steve Marsh, Tim Metzner, Dave Van der Vossen, David Chandler, Dr. Mike Lewis, Dr. Jennifer Nyland, David Plotts, John Foley, Martin Hutchinson, Steve Levitzky, Dan Savoy, and Wayne Shelton; City Staff: Alyssa Hastings, Anne Roane, Kevin Lindsay, and Intern Brielle McQuiston.

Discussion Included:

- 1. Mayor Day welcomed Task Force Members and thanked the members for their willingness to serve. Mayor Day expressed the importance of the Task Force in future decision-making objectives, and members introduced themselves to the group.
- 2. Chairman Nemazie expressed the goals of the Task Force, sharing both the objectives of the 2009 Task Force and the similar objectives for the current group. While the group will not be developing a city Climate Action Plan or a complete Sustainability Plan, the goal will be laying out priorities for the development of a future official environmental plan. Chairman Nemazie laid out a timeline of completing these objectives by summer, with the goal of a last meeting in June.
- 3. Alyssa updated the group on the status of each of the original action items from the 2009 Task Force Report, and shared any updates that have occurred. In regard to one of the 2009 action items, the recent Green Building Code and its implications for future city construction projects was discussed. He emphasized how the 2009 action items that did not demonstrate progress can be discussed by the group to decide whether or not the action is still pertinent to the current groups' mission.
- 4. Chairman Nemazie explained how he and Alyssa will develop a list of topic areas of interest to be shared with the group. Steve suggested organizing topics into broader categories, such as water or climate change. He explained that each Task Force member should come to the next meeting with a few sentences regarding various recommended topic areas, ranking topic areas with a 1, 2, 3, or "do not care," in regard to preference for smaller group work and further exploration. At the next meeting, members will be asked to break into smaller groups to work on each topic area. Alyssa will send the topic areas out to the group once they are determined.
- Chairman Nemazie shared that future meetings will extend from 1 ½ to 2 hours in order to maintain a deadline of June. The group expressed interest in changing the meeting time to 5:30 pm.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 18th, 2020, at 5:30 pm. Location TBD