

**TOWN OF EXETER
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 5, 2021**

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Chetana Parmar.

(Technical difficulties)

Members Present: Chetana Parmar, Nina Braun, Jackie Ojala, Beverly Tappan, Christopher Zigmont, and Niko Papakonstantis (Select Board Representative);
Remotely: Kristen Osterwood, Adam Dumville

Approval of meeting minutes from September 7, 2021

Sustainability coordinator position: have sent our support to Dave

Textile recycling initiative: Proposal from company to keep textiles out of landfills. The company would provide bags for curbside collection. Jenn just wants to understand if we are in support of it- all seem to be supportive.

Plastic Bag Ban: Supportive of a plastic bag ban. Learn from Portsmouth in how they rolled out their plastic bag ban.

Communications: Key communication will be the pumpkin composting and encourage community to use composting at transfer station. And starting communication on Plastic bag ban and textile recycling. And potentially on how to make Thanksgiving and holidays greener.

No grant update, and no survey results update

Other business:

- Chetana: on Seacoast Goes Green Facebook page comment on reuse of soccer cleats. Is there a way to partner with Parks and Rec to redistribute soccer cleats? Or ice skates? Recommend to connect with Greg Bisson in Parks and Rec (Chetana to follow up)
- Bev: Is energy committee focusing on car chargers? Has planning board set up any standards for updating building standards and incorporating renewable energy.
- Exeter Hazardous Waste Collection at the Department of Public Works from 8-1 on October 16th.

Motion to adjourn at 7:43

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Osterwood