

**Conservation Commission Regular Meeting**  
Municipal Building, 7 Maple Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room  
Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 8:00 pm  
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**Present:** Sharon Kivowitz, Jean Hamerman, Kerry Jane King, Elisa Zazzera

**1. Food Waste – update.**

- a. Hastings organized a visit of Hastings Terrace super to see the food collection model in Scarsdale. They were excited about what they saw and willing to participate in a food scrap pick-up program. This demonstrates broad interest.
- b. Greenburgh has submitted grant request to DEC for food waste recovery. For both unincorporated only or unincorporated and the villages.
- c. We will work with DPW to move forward with supplying totes at the DPW site to replace the open bin in the commuter parking lot. This is to secure the waste better in summer and prevent smells. The DPW got 10 totes from Greenburgh.

**2. Zero Waste –** The CC is interested in launching a Zero Waste subcommittee of CC. Elisa may head up. We need to define what zero waste means and the goals. We should look at Climate Smart actions and other village mission statements to develop a Village policy as well as a resident engagement campaign. We also need to think about recruiting other members to the Subcommittee.

**3. Repair Cafe –** the CC will have a table to the Repair Cafe on April 13th. We decide to make the following information available:

- Recycling - Elisa will secure a brochure to hand out
- Food compost - Haven secure a brochure to hand out
- Kits - for sale if available. If still on backorder, bring a demonstration bin and collect emails for notification when it comes in.
- Friends of Hillside Woods - Jean will create a sign-in sheet
- Zero waste sign-up - Jean will create a sign in sheet
- E waste pick up information + schedule - Jean will create a sheet
- Vine squad - Haven will provide hand out
- Heat pump information - Jean will supply flyer
- What else?

**We still need sign ups [here!](#)**

**4. Downtown Committee** – The Downtown Committee is a new Village Committee, The CC will liaise with them around overlapping mandates for a more livable, sustainable Hastings.

**5. Salt** – The CC was interested to know about the use of salt on our roads to melt snow and the impact to our environment/water. We will research what product Hastings uses and what other villages use. Ron will be asked to look into this. Haven can inquire at the next County Stormwater meeting.

**6. Membership** – Kerry-Jean has agreed to remain on the Conservation Commission.

**7. Energy Working Group** – They will be meeting 3/18. We expect OLA's energy audit shortly. We will get an update on the electric charging stations.