



Agenda

SANTA FE WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY HALL – 200 LINCOLN AVE.
CITY COUNCILOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM
February 11, 2020
4 pm

CALL TO ORDER

1. ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 14, 2020 MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA:

5. WATER DIVISION UPDATE (Andrew Erdmann, Water Conservation Specialist Senior, paerdmann@santafenm.gov, 955-4223)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

6. LID PILOT PROJECT (Melissa McDonald, mamcdonald@santafenm.gov, 955-6840)
7. DISCUSSION OF RECENT ADOPTION BY COUNCIL OF THE 2015 UPC CODE (Christine Chavez, cychavez@santafenmn.gov, 955-4219)

ACTION ITEM:

8. AMENDMENT TO THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS CLARIFYING TERM LIMITS OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SANTA FE WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (Councilor Romero-Wirth)

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

9. OUTDOOR REBATE PROGRAM (Christine Chavez)
10. SECOND HOMES AND WATER CONSERVATION (Christine Chavez)
11. ONGOING DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE PROJECTS (Councilor Romero-Wirth)

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**SANTA FE WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020, 4:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Santa Fe Water Conservation Committee was called to order at 4:00 pm by Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth, Chair, on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, at City Hall, in the City Councilor's Conference Room, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

1. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth, Chair
Stephen Schmelling
Scott Bunton
Bob Coombe
Ken Kirk
Jerry Jacobi
Beth Kirby
Peggy Wright
Matt O'Rielly

MEMBERS ABSENT

Maria De Anda-Hay, Excused
Reese Baker, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Andrew Erdmann, Water Conservation
Melessia McDonald, Public Works, River and Watershed Manager
Andy Otto, Watershed Association
Doug Pushard
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. Jacobi, seconded by Ms. Kirby, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. Coombe, seconded by Mr. Kirk, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
JANUARY 14, 2020**

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. Schmelling, seconded by Mr. Jacobi, to approve the minutes as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. WATER DIVISION UPDATE

Approved on consent.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6. LID PILOT PROJECT

Ms. McDonald said Ms. Chavez asked her to come to your meeting to talk about the Low Impact Development Pilot Project.

Ms. McDonald stated that she is the River and Watershed Manager out of Public Works. Part of her job is the Stormwater Strategic Master Plan. It was a very big heavy lift we needed to do. Our City has grown in ways that have not been helpful to our drainage system. We also have a lack of ability to understand what is in the ground. That is a common problem in the west. The purpose was to look at how we can improve our drainage systems. We have water quality issues that are becoming more important so we are looking at how to increase water quality. We have a huge problem with flooding. This plan started looking at how we set up our program to address this in efficient ways. Simultaneously we have been very involved with the Water Conservation Committee for 15 years. As a citizen she was on this committee. There is an overlap on the issues she is talking about and what you are talking about. We are not allowed to do improvements on private property which is very hard when you are looking at a watershed. This new permit will push us to start looking outside of artificial boundaries. This committee, over the years, has said how can we work together.

Some of the structures make it difficult. We need to be thinking about this holistically. A piece of this project is to look at potential green infrastructure sites. We picked four of them. Simultaneously we kicked off a condition assessment and data effort. We are missing about 40% of our stormwater infrastructure. We did an assessment to look at where flooding and water quality issues are originating. We now have all this data on a database. We identified what was critical and what we considered good or fair.

Chair Romero-Wirth asked what is infall and outfall.

Ms. McDonald said an inlet or infall is where water goes in, outfall is where it goes out. Inlet and infall are the same thing.

Mr. McDonald said our goal is how do we see these priorities that are up for CIP projects going forward. As we are doing this stuff we have overlaid a number of ways we wanted to look at this. We thought we might need to look at pilot projects. We could start to see trends in the mapping and identified ten top areas for green infrastructure and that could address flooding and water quality. We are looking at each individual area now and what the problems are. When we looked at where we were going to put monies we also needed to look at where the biggest impact would be. We thought a public/private partnership would be workable. We need to reach out to a community and tell them they can help as well. One of the most challenging areas is Arroyo Chamisa. It has an impervious surface. It felt like to her that we could coordinate with this committee on that. The City is bringing to the table improvements in these areas. What can the public do and how can we educate them. If we can slow water down the infrastructure will last a lot longer. She is not tasked with public/private partnerships, but the Water Conservation is. They have a five year plan, rebates and other ways to look at rebates. If you can slow down the water before it gets to these channels it does less destruction. We are also working closely with Sustainable Santa Fe. Their plan has challenged the Water Conservation Office to look at pilot projects as well. She opened the conversation with Christine about ways we can work together. It seems like a great opportunity. One of the areas we are looking at is arroyo channels at Nava Ade. There is a City park open space there. We have developed preliminary numbers if we approve that neighborhood. It is an opportunity to work together as to how much would this decrease the flood potential and increase water quality. We are in the very beginning stages.

Chair Romero-Worth asked the idea is you are starting a pilot project and we could help you do the pilot project at Nava Ade.

Ms. McDonald said that is one area we are looking at.

Mr. Erdmann said one of the things we considered is if we pushed our rebate there could there be additional rebates in that area.

Chair Romero-Wirth said that would help our outdoor rebate subcommittee.

Ms. Schmelling said we met yesterday, but did not talk about this. We talked about outdoor rebates. One of the things we are looking at is new outdoor rebates. It seems to him the overlap on most of these things will be on private property.

Ms. McDonald said yes. That is why we can't fund it.

Mr. Schmelling said we have rebates for people taking conservation measures and we are not using all the money. We are just using a small fraction of it.

Ms. Wright said we talked about why that money is not being used. We thought we should promote people upsizing rain barrels because 55 gallon rain barrels are worthless. They just overflow. We don't know how to set up the parameters of that. Would you need to inspect that.

Ms. McDonald said those are the kind of challenges we would need to work through. Christine is fairly confident that those can be worked through.

Chair Romero-Wirth said to catch you up Melessia, we have been talking about projects we are ready to dive in on. One we began exploring was outdoor rebate. We have an outdoor rebate subcommittee.

Ms. Wright said Christine told us that we need a decision by mid March as to what rebates we don't want and what we want.

Mr. Schmelling explained she wants to roll it out in April when people start doing things. Our subcommittee is meeting every week.

Mr. Coombe said as to areas of overlap there might be some. If Reese were here he would talk about cisterns. A lot of what he does are things like zuni bowls. Is there a suggestion that rebates would be used for those kind of projects. Infiltration projects.

Ms. McDonald said yes. That is where overlap is, in slowing down water. She knows Reese. He has worked on a lot of river projects.

Mr. Coombe said we have not done that sort of thing before. It is a really good idea.

Ms. McDonald said it might be an opportunity for us to do some joint outreach. Nava Ade is doing their own improvements on private property land. It allows an opportunity to say these are the things we are talking about and these are rebates the City is doing to help you.

Mr. Coombe asked are there quantifiable outcomes in this project.

Ms. McDonald said yes. Our department is working on those numbers and process. We had a contract with Tetra Tech and they set up processes looking at the big picture and at these 10 sites at a concept level. One of them is a Nava Ada project. It would be helpful to know the level of interest of this committee and the Water Conservation Office.

Mr. O'Rielly said you said you have a consultant helping you.

Ms. McDonald said yes.

Mr. O'Rielly said you said they start looking at this down to the property level.

Mr. McDonald said the consultant is not looking at property level. They are working on generating roof top level numbers.

Mr. O'Rielly asked does the consultant have civil engineers and surface water hydrologists to do the hydrology.

Ms. McDonald said yes. We contracted with Souder Miller to do the Nava Ade level design.

Mr. O'Rielly said for the last 30 years when new developments were developed stormwater detention systems have been required by the City as part of the development. Where he has seen most of the erosion is the older developments where there is no stormwater control and no detention systems. It seems it might be better to focus on those areas. Years ago the City's land development code allowed for a certain amount of stormwater detention and retention by lot basis. Over the years Land use has gotten away from that. Those used to be designed on someone's property and the property owners filled it in and put up a swing set. While he thinks it is interesting, as a civil engineer and surface water hydrologist himself, to see how pumice wicks slow run off, they are difficult to maintain. The zuni bowls tend to fill up and don't work long term. If it is erosion you are trying to control and the sediment carried through the arroyos, he thinks you might look more at one point down at basins where we have seen tremendous improvements done. An example would be Tierra Contenta. There is a huge 24 foot wide squash pipe that runs under Tierra Del Sol. All that water backs up and soaks down into the sand and has created a very lush riparian are for the walking trails. It is very controllable. It is easy to quantify, easy to maintain and does not go away over time. He is not trying to discount the Nava Ada project, but he would look at older subdivisions with no stormwater control.

Ms. McDonald said this is one little piece of a much bigger effort. This intent is to create some synergy on the request of this committee in the past to work together. She agrees with you. A lot of the projects we are doing are just that. They are through Public Works. This project is tailored to this committee, private property and rebates. We are looking at all of that. She really agrees. Of the 10 project areas many of them

do not have neighborhood associations. The only reason we selected Nava Ade is they have a neighborhood association. Christine asked for that. She felt for the first time out to try to organize good feedback having an HOA would help us get there. She will talk to Christine. This was to start simple and small. A lot of it is education on the rebate side which is not her job. You are 100% correct.

Mr. O'Rielly said with regard to the outdoor rebate subcommittee the City had a higher rebate for rain barrels a while ago and reduced it. It used to be \$60 now it is \$25. That is something people can see on their water bill. As to people paying landscapers to maintain it, not so much on the southside. He agrees about rain barrels. Maybe increase it back up to where it was.

Mr. Erdmann said the rebate changed down because the thought was rain barrels don't do so much. They fill up quickly.

Ms. Wright said there are beautiful larger ones

Mr. Erdmann said the larger ones require concrete to be poured.

Ms. Wright said we are talking about above the ground. She has 550s and 360s above ground.

Ms. McDonald said with our new permit it will be more similar to what they have in Albuquerque.

Mr. Coombe said with regard to rebates he would like to see larger targets. The amount of water saved through rebates in their entirety is microscopic relative to the 9,000 acre feet the City uses. It is far less than 10% of that. There is not a lot of leverage there for the budget we put behind it in the manner we have approached it to this point.

Chair Romero-Wirth said we are in a hurry with this subcommittee. Are you going to be in a place to help inform this on this timeline for your piece.

Ms. McDonald said we have 10 sites, not all are funded. We will do a couple this year. If it does not fit for this group at this time there will be another opportunity.

Mr. Schmelling said it is very interesting that you are interested in this. Our rebates, if we are looking at infiltration structures, would be citywide. We would not design a rebate for one subdivision. It is not tailored to specifically your situation.

Mr. Bunton asked would it make sense for this subcommittee to try to come up with a minimum water savings or diversion per dollar spent on rebates so we are not spending for low return.

Mr. Erdmann said the Water Bank side of this is every time we issue a rebate it is sold from the water budget office. The City makes \$4,000 every time we issue an acre foot of rebates. We can sell them in small increments.

Chair Romero-Wirth said this is informational. It would be great if you could see if your schedule works to meet with the subcommittee.

Mr. Schmelling said we are meeting the next three Wednesdays.

Chair Romero-Wirth said she will work with you guys on that. It is very interesting and it seems like we should be able to do something at some point.

Ms. McDonald said if this committee generates other ideas let her know. The anti- donation clause is a consideration.

Chair Romero-Wirth said with this subcommittee meeting maybe there can be some brainstorming there and bring then bring back this issue to the committee after you figure out a few things. Thank you Melessia.

Ms. McDonald said she is also staff for the River Commission. Jerry is one of the founding members. The River Commission is interested in having more dialogue with this committee as well. You may see members showing up here and you are welcome to join any of our meetings. Christine has presented the 5 year plan at our meeting.

7. DISCUSSION OF RECENT ADOPTION BY COUNCIL OF THE 2015 UPC CODE

Chair Romero-Wirth reported that the City Council adopted the 2015 UPC Code.

Mr. Pushard explained the background of the codes and the process of adoption by the State. He also discussed changes that had been made in the past.

Ms. Wright left the meeting.

Mr. Pushard said you may want to start looking at the 2020 code and get ahead of it.

Chair Romero-Wirth said so we don't have to do anything right away. We need to look at 2020.

Mr. Pushard said 2012 was when the big changes were done to add greywater systems and rainwater systems.

Chair Romero-Wirth said pass on the information to Christine.

Mr. O'Rielly said as the person writing resolutions to adopt codes in the past, it was the opinion of the City Attorney's Office that we had to adopt by resolution. There are some reasons why a municipality might not adopt.

Chair Romero-Wirth asked did we make some exemptions for historic.

Mr. O'Rielly said we were going to. We were advised by the City Attorney and CID that we can add things to it, but we cannot remove requirements. We tried to not make changes because we did not want builders building in the County and then moving over 30 feet to the City and have a different code. He is doing a project in Bernalillo County right now and they specifically chose to not adopt a code for political reasons. As to the automatically adopted thing, it was said by the City Attorney that we have to specifically adopt it.

Chair Romero-Wirth said that is what the City Attorney's Office said to her as well.

Mr. Pushard said there is the legal issue and Matt is totally correct. The resolution helps the permitting and inspection people move forward. Without a resolution they continue to use the code book they have. The resolution is the document that gives them their marching orders.

Mr. Bunton said that is the time for a City Attorney Opinion. If it says automatic the City Attorney ought to be able to instruct City departments to follow State law.

Chair Romero-Wirth said the resolution said we are adopting the current version of the code. She asked how do we know what the current version is. She thought we needed to specify. She did an amendment at the City Council meeting giving the exact 2015 code rather than "current version". That is how she got into it.

ACTION ITEM

8. AMENDMENT TO THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS CLARIFYING TERM LIMITS TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SANTA FE WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Chair Romero-Wirth said this goes to the governance of this committee. We have been struggling with this for a year. We are at a place now where we can act. She, Scott, Christine and Jennifer (Council Liaison) met. We have an outline she wants to get your input on. Hopefully this will help us with losing so many members at the

same time. The draft is in the packet for discussion.

Mr. Bunton gave an overview of the draft.

Mr. O'Rielly said this is the first time he has seen this. He has lots of thoughts on this. He can email his thoughts to the Chair.

Chair Romero-Wirth said give us a taste.

Mr. O'Rielly said he hopes this does not become how we do all the other committees in the City. We do have rules adopted by Council on committees. His biggest concern is the duties and responsibilities section which is massive. The scope proposed is huge. His biggest concern is that it appears and implies that what we are doing is we are doing these things on our own and that this committee does not provide an advisory role to City government. His many years of experience with 50 plus boards and commissions is that every board, commission and committee is advisory to City government. This is overreaching and impossible for this committee to accomplish. This committee is advisory to the Governing Body and staff. In this it seems like we are supposed to be doing these things on our own without working with staff. In his experience, this is a recipe for problems.

Mr. Bunton said he welcomes his input.

Mr. O'Rielly said he will email you details, but he would not want this to be overreaching or to not flow through staff.

Chair Romero-Wirth said she agrees. Don't look at this draft as a final. We will bring forward a draft at the next meeting for approval. This has not been vetted. It was not intended to do what you outlined.

Ms. O'Rielly said this is a high functioning committee. He has seen committee go on tangents and things the Governing Body does not want them to work on. When that happens the Governing Body ignores what the committee does and they have put in a lot of work. Having a good idea of what we can do within the guidelines is how it should read.

Chair Romero-Wirth said shoot us an email so we can review it with an eye toward those critiques. It is time to pick a path and move forward and get this done. We want your service to be worthwhile for you and the City.

Mr. Kirk said he thinks Scott has done a great job. He appreciates it.

Mr. Schmelling said as to the membership of the committee he thinks this is a major step forward from what we had before. Thank you Chair and Scott.

Chair Romero-Wirth said Scott gets most of the credit. We will try to get you the draft ahead of next meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

9. OUTDOOR REBATE PROGRAM

Mr. Schmelling said we discussed this previously. We need to meet and come up with a timeline. We have to have this together by the March meeting. We will meet 3 times between now and then. If anyone is interested in joining us let the subcommittee know.

10. SECOND HOMES AND WATER CONSERVATION

Ms. Wright said she was the only one that volunteered to be in this subcommittee. We have not met.

Ms. Kirby said she spoke to Christine about being on this subcommittee. She said to table it for now.

11. ONGOING DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE PROJECTS

Chair Romero-Wirth said there were a couple of things mentioned at the last meeting. We are still in conversation about what you want to work on and what subcommittees you want to have.

Mr. O'Rielly said he is interested in working on the commercial side of things. He would like to get with staff and understand the scope of potential benefits in the commercial area for water conservation. He is working for a commercial owner of property all over the place and he has thoughts about why we have or have not done some conservation efforts. He has some idea about how to get that to work better and get the big property owners to work more on that. What kind of resources do we have. He has had a lot of conversations with Marcos Martinez about how we can relate to water without anti-donation clause issues that are legal and constitutional. There are things we can do. Our company is getting ready to do massive commercial water conservation projects on one of our properties. We are willing to have that be a test case as to what worked and what did not with an eye to get other commercial property owners to jump in and do this.

Chair Romero-Wirth said we have done the restaurant rebate program in commercial and some looking at what can be done with hotels. We have not gone beyond that, but we have not had the expertise you bring.

Mr. O'Rielly said we just redid an entire office building using the current system in place. It was worth it, but it took time, work and money to do it. It was not net zero for us. We are a community minded company. Other companies would not have done it at all. We have to figure out a way to make it worth their while to do it and that it is the right thing to do. We need to find out from staff what kind of a dent can be made here. The restaurant program is great. At least one of our restaurants needs some follow up so they know how to use the system. He is willing to focus on those things.

Mr. Coombe said where the committee has been on ICI is 28% consumption. We don't know much about what the usage patterns are for commercial and industrial. The conversation began with the notion that there is a lot of potential there. The restaurant pilot certainly suggests the potential is there and there is a lot of water to be saved. There are also bumps in the road as to what is metered and what is not.

Mr. Pushard said remember one thing, that one restaurant flushes the toilet 500 times a day so changing out toilets have an impact.

Mr. O'Rielly said that falls into areas where we are aware of in restaurants. We have put high flush toilets in our restaurants ourselves. Because there is so much potential water savings there it falls into line with his conversation with the City Attorney as to how far we can go to incentivize these things without anti-donation coming to play. It has to be something they cannot say no to. There are ways to do this.

Chair Romero-Wirth asked are there others who would want to be on a subcommittee on that.

Mr. Schmelling said we previously brought up the drought management plan.

Chair Romero-Wirth said we have had joint committee meetings with the County Water Policy Advisory Board and this committee. She is trying to get those two together to do some work across the City and County. That is where that has come up. That might be an area to focus on. She met with Commissioner Hamilton and staff from the City and County to talk about the next joint meeting and what that might look like with the idea that we can do some valuable work for both the City and County and move forward. There were three things we talked about a bit. Doing aquifer mapping, drought management and a bit about domestic wells. There may be something there we can form a subcommittee on, but she is not ready to say what we are doing yet.

Mr. Coombe said we talked about data command using data out of the Badger meters. The first order of things would be that he would like GIS maps of consumption in the City to identify particular zones and neighborhoods. Christine said we were not going to start that because the Water Department was not ready. Someone has got to hold the data. The first thing is to create a GIS map of usage for the City to focus our efforts on high consumption areas.

Chair Romero-Wirth said one of the things we talked about for the joint meeting was demand scenarios. That would address your concern.

Mr. Coombe said he would be happy to work on a subcommittee like that.

Chair Romero-Wirth said the County could look at demand scenarios for the County and the City could do the same as to what are we going to need in 40 and 80 years. We would create a subcommittee to look at the City and the County could do the same and then we would jointly look at it.

Mr. Coombe said if we use that data it would inform pilot projects and choosing locations for pilot projects, our communication statewide as to what parts of the City are not responding and all kinds of things like that. Our work ought to be informed by data.

Chair Romero-Wirth said we also talked about messaging from the City when we have dry spells and how to get the conservation message out when they are saying we are fine as to water wise is an issue. The Supply Manger is saying that. She would love to see us work on how to do that. Even when the Supply Manager is doing a good job.

Ms. Kirby said she thinks one of the things from Jessie's presentation was talking about how we deal with so many wells and how do we incentivize people metering those wells. She thinks that fits in with data as well. She is interested in what Bob said. If we have meters and data lets use that data to inform next steps.

Mr. O'Rielly said we have to demonstrate a public purpose. Saving water if the City does not have to buy water rights then you can demonstrate that yes buying toilets and giving them to people is ok because of the public benefit.

Mr. Erdmann said that is how we create space for new development.

Mr. Jacobi said talking about data, he wants to reinforce that. A data point was given to us at the last meeting from Mr. Dickerson regarding pressure valves. Is he the only one with the issue or the only one who fixed it.

Chair Romero-Wirth said it is where he is in the water system.

Mr. Erdmann said he is not the only one. It is a big place.

Mr. Jacobi asked has that big picture been addressed. Has the City worked with other people.

Chair Romero-Wirth said she got the impression that there was not much this committee could do with that issue.

Mr. Erdmann said the pressure stuff is crossing the line into the supply system. This committee has traditionally focused on the demand side. There is no reason why we couldn't.

Mr. Jacobi said Glen was talking about restaurants in large units, why can't people be metered in those places.

Mr. O'Rielly said they are. New development in the City that is commercial requires individual meters.

Mr. Bunton said it is the old ones.

Mr. O'Rielly said in the shopping center we own we are on two master meters and have installed submeters on all the restaurants so we can bill them for what they use. We don't individually meter companies. For apartment complexes, 7 years ago, there was a provision that every unit have a City meter. It is physically impossible to do. The City changed the rule to allow meters for each building and provided that those owners could privately submeter each apartment if they wanted to. On the commercial side it is a requirement for new development. There is a lot of old stuff on big master meters.

Mr. Erdmann said in terms of the older parts of town, the way the plumbing was done in those buildings needs to be looked at for metering for a number of reasons.

Chair Romero-Wirth said there are a number of things on the table. We need to decide. What do you want to work on. Her picks would be a commercial subcommittee with Matt and his expertise and explore fleshing that out beyond what we have done with restaurants. To Bob's continuing question about data and joint meetings, we could form a subcommittee to look at demand scenarios and delve into some of the strategy pieces. We can figure out what we do know and what we don't know and what it takes to figure out how to get to what we don't know. Those are both valuable for bigger picture things and valuable work you all to do. She wants your service to be relevant. How does that sound.

Mr. Erdmann asked you see demand scenarios as part of data.

Chair Romero-Wirth said it is an area to begin to dive into and other elements around that to draw attention to.

Mr. Coombe said there are enumerable things one could do with the information the Water Department holds.

There was discussion about who was interested in what and which subcommittee.

The following was decided:

ICI Subcommittee

Matt O’Rielly

Steven Schmelling

Data Subcommittee

Bob Coombe

Ken Kirk

Jerry Jacobi

Beth Kirby

Scott Bunton

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. O’Rielly, seconded by Mr. Bunton, to create the subcommittees outlined.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Chair Romero-Wirth said thank you for working this out.

12. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Otto said Love Your River Day is this Saturday. Come help us clean up the river. It is at 10:00 am.

13. MATTERS FROM STAFF

None

14. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE

Mr. Schmelling asked what can be done to help Christine hire the people she needs for her office.

Chair Romero-Wirth said she will ask some more questions about it. She thinks things are starting to move again.

**15. NEXT MEETING
MARCH 10, 2020**

16. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the committee the meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth, Chair



Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer