

<b>Members Present (Quorum Established at Four or More Members)</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Pearson (Chair/Liaison to Planning Board)	<input type="checkbox"/> Frank Ceccacci (Sustainable Verona Liaison)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sean DiBartolo (Vice Chair/Plan Review)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Auteri (Webmaster)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Martin Golan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Timothy Kiernan (Alternate II)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sarah Yauch O'Farrell	<input type="checkbox"/> Mayor Kevin Ryan (Liaison from Town Council)	
	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>
1.	<b>Call to Order by Jess:</b> a) Open Public Meetings Act Statement b) Roll Call performed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None.</li> </ul>
2.	<b>Public Comment Period:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>MOTION to Open Public Comment Period:</b> Jess; <b>Second:</b> Mike.</li> <li><b>APPROVAL:</b> All Members Present AYE</li> <li>Period Closed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Comments</li> <li>Public Comment closed.</li> </ul>
3.	<b>Approval of May 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes:</b> Minor formatting and capitalization corrections were made. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>MOTION to Approve:</b> Sean; <b>Second:</b> Martin.</li> <li><b>APPROVAL:</b> All Members Present AYE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sean will email approved minutes to Township Clerk Kiernan and Steve Neale.</li> </ul>
4.	<b>Perennial Garden Planting at Grove Park</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shade Tree Commission approval was granted</li> <li>Jess met with Steve Neale and Chuck.</li> <li>Wall Pricing was estimated at \$3,000. Other suggestions to use powder-coated flexible steel for garden surround at a lower cost.</li> <li>Partial plant estimate from Hillcrest at \$445.</li> <li>Require more plant estimate and soil and mulch from Pleasantdale Nursery.</li> <li>Verona Junior Women's Club is considering helping fund the garden.</li> <li>Updates as they become available.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to set a date for planting basis funding, availability and DPW schedule.</li> <li>Jess calling Pleasantdale Nursery for complete plant estimate.</li> <li>Jess will formulate a spreadsheet with complete pricing estimates. This estimate would need to be sent to the Junior Women's Club for their consideration for possible sponsorship.</li> <li>Sean will contact DPW and Hillcrest to negotiate wall pricing estimate.</li> <li>Dates must be set groundbreaking/wall plans, if any and planting ASAP.</li> </ul>
5.	<b>Updates:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) Peckman Cleanup Review:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We had about 15 volunteers with their kids help clean up the Peckman.</li> <li>Streambank Stabilization is needed. The river width has expanded due to streambank erosion from storm events over the years.</li> <li>Sean suggested looking into DEP funding for possible grants to aid with a very expensive and sensitive stabilization.</li> <li>Sean suggested videotaping a narrated walk down the Peckman River in waders to point out the drastic erosion of the streambanks viewed from the river itself.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members will begin to research possible resources for funding.</li> <li>Jess will put this back on our Agenda for Sept 2019 meeting for further discussion.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Stormwater Utility Fee may be a possible funding source.</li> <li>o Future plans include contacting Mike DeCarlo and Matt Cavallo to make them aware of this issue.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>b) Community Garden:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Awaiting new plans from Mike DeCarlo- email inquiry was sent with no formal response on updated plans.</li> <li>o Frank away on vacation- so no updates from Sustainable Verona.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update when new information becomes available.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>c) Site Plan Review/Tree Ordinance/Stormwater Ordinance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Tree Ordinance is nearing final stages of review and should be on Council Agenda soon. Mr. Cavallo is contacting and pricing out Arborists for the town.</li> <li>o Tree Ordinance changes include the addition of Shade Tree Commission control of all public property</li> <li>o Stormwater Ordinance is in the early phases of review.</li> <li>o No update on Site Plan Review Ordinance.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tree Ordinance may be introduced at July 15, 2019 Town Council meeting.</li> <li>• Continued input from Jess and Sean when warranted.</li> <li>• Update next meeting.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>d) VEC Web Site:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Mike A. presents rudimentary web site concept consisting of a basic eight web pages and one Blog page. The idea is that he suggests to have one distribution point using the blog to then push and post content to other VEC social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.). The use of content tags will be used heavily to focus our content more easily.</li> <li>o Jess and Mike A. met Monday to discuss content and design.</li> <li>o Mike A. requires more time throughout the summer to complete his concept.</li> <li>o Members were asked for suggestions and agree that we need to simplify and streamline the content.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mike A. will continue working on web site so we can present to Township Officials.</li> <li>• Jess has consolidated and added content and will send to Martin for editing.</li> <li>• Martin and all members asked to send site or event photos to Mike A. for inclusion on site.</li> <li>• Targeting the Fall for the new web site to go live.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>e) Student Outreach:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o The poster contest for elementary schools was discussed and members may want to limit to the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes only.</li> <li>o Multimedia projects for middle and high school students.</li> <li>o Planning on this will include the SCA and principals and/or specific teacher contacts for updates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sarah made contact with the FN Brown SCA Chair to get an audience for the Verona Conference of SCAs.</li> <li>• Jessica will reach out to the VHS Environmental Club leader.</li> <li>• More intensive planning will be decided upon at the special August 1, 2019 meeting.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>f) Plastic Bag Ban</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Continued exchange of information will ensue to collect information and devise a practical proposal for implementation. There are a number of proposals being considered.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steve Neale is the lead on this and Tony will continue to attend follow up meetings.</li> <li>• Community members collecting signatures for a Bag Ban petition.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>g) Rain Garden</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Tabled until grant opportunities arise in conjunction with Township approval and workforce help that can assist us.</li> <li>o No other updates at this time.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tabled until further discussion with town officials can inform us of town's willingness to finance the project.</li> </ul>

6.	<b>VEC Plan Review Committee Comments and Findings</b>	
	<p><b>a) 11 Robert Court:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Single-family home wishing to add a 2-story, 560-ft<sup>2</sup> addition over both floors, which requires a variance because it breaches the backyard setback by 15 feet.</li> <li>○ VEC suggests investigating the source and discharge of a storm swale in the back of the yard.</li> <li>○ VEC suggests applicant rely upon LID list for construction.</li> <li>○ <b>MOTION to approve VEC PRC Memo:</b> Sean; <b>Second:</b> Sarah.</li> <li>○ <b>APPROVAL:</b> All members present AYE.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Plan review for 11 Robert Court was sent to Kelly Lawrence of the Board of Adjustments prior to the case hearing.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>b) 2 Oak Lane:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Single-family home on corner lot wishing to put a 4-foot fence up where only 3 feet is allowed.</li> <li>○ VEC submitted no comments.</li> <li>○ <b>MOTION to approve VEC PRC Memo:</b> Sean; <b>Second:</b> Mike A.</li> <li>○ <b>APPROVAL:</b> All members present AYE.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Plan review for 2 Oak Lane was sent to Kelly Lawrence of the Board of Adjustments prior to the case hearing.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>c) 194 Woodland Avenue:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Single-family home on corner lot wishing to put 4-foot fence up where only 3 foot is allowed. Also wishes to add 150-ft<sup>2</sup> shed and roof overhang.</li> <li>○ VEC noted removal of multiple trees and asked if more removals were planned. Suggested replacement of trees with native species.</li> <li>○ <b>MOTION to approve VEC PRC Memo:</b> Sean; <b>Second:</b> Sarah.</li> <li>○ <b>APPROVAL:</b> All members present AYE.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Plan review for 194 Woodland Avenue was sent to Kelly Lawrence of the Board of Adjustments prior to the case hearing.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>d) 248 Linden Avenue:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Single Family Home wishing to add a 400 foot deck to back of home. Home as built has under a 3 foot side yard setback, therefore must attain a variance for a pre-existing condition.</li> <li>○ VEC suggests planting trees and plantings to aid with possible stormwater runoff.</li> <li>○ VEC suggests applicant rely upon LID list for construction.</li> <li>○ <b>MOTION to approve VEC PRC Memo:</b> Sean; <b>Second:</b> Mike A.</li> <li>○ <b>APPROVAL:</b> All members present AYE.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Plan review for 248 Linden Avenue was sent to Kelly Lawrence of the Board of Adjustments prior to the case hearing.</li> </ul>
7.	<b>New Business:</b>	
	<p><b>a) July meeting discussion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Multiple members are unable to attend July 10, 2019 meeting. VEC cancels meeting and schedules a special August 1, 2019 meeting at 7pm in the regular VCC Meeting Room.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Members schedule special meeting August 1, 2019 at 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>b) Election of Chair:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>NOMINATION of Jess:</b> Mike A.; <b>Second:</b> Sarah.</li> <li>○ <b>APPROVAL:</b> All members present AYE.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Jessica Pearson will continue to serve as VEC Chair and as Planning Board Liaison.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>c) Election of Vice Chair:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>NOMINATION of Sean:</b> Jess; <b>Second:</b> Mike A.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Sean DiBartolo will serve as VEC Vice Chair and supervise the Plan Review Committee.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>APPROVAL:</b> All members present AYE.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>d) Meeting Schedule for 2019-2020:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month except for August 2019.</li> <li>○ 2019: July 10, September 11, October 9, November 13, and December 11.</li> <li>○ 2020: January 8, February 12, March 11, April 8, May 13, and June 10.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Future meetings will continue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month beginning on September 11, 2019.</li> <li>• Meetings will begin at 7 p.m. and will meet at the VCC Meeting Room for year 2019-2020.</li> </ul>
8.	<b>Adjournment: Next meeting August 1, 2019 7 p.m.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VCC Meeting Room</li> </ul>