Town of Lewisboro Sustainability Committee

MONTHLY MEETING, 10/13/2021

ATTENDEES

Committee Members: Tania Henderson, Dan Welsh, Robert Fischman, Sarah Coccaro, and Christopher Coccaro

Lewisboro Residents: Dianne Perfit, Michelle Blum, Austin Omin, Thao Doan, Jonathan Monti, Lateasha Stapleton

AGENDA

Acceptance of the September Meeting Minutes

1. September meeting minutes were accepted

Membership

- 1. Lewisboro Civic Organization Outreach Robert Fischman
- 2. Committee interest Robert Fischman and Dan Welsh
 - a. Several prospective members attended the meetings (see above). New members introduced themselves to the group discussing their interests, specialities, and goals.
 - b. Sarah Coccaro to develop various "did you know" updates to keep Lewisboro residents up to date.

Communications

- 1. Katonah- Lewisboro Times Letter to the Editor Robert Fischman
- 2. Lewisboro Climate Action Items Tania Henderson
 - a. The committee reviewed a summary of potential climate action items
- 3. Town Board Presentation Dan Welsh
 - a. Dan will develop a series of bullet points to discuss recent storm impacts, resiliency, and steps the town can take to be more prepared for storm events

Alternatives to Automobile Transportation

- 1. EV Charging Proposal Dan Welsh
 - a. NYSERDA funds are not currently available for the grants that would fund this program

- b. Blink charging has provided the town with an offer to install the charging stations and provide the town 5% of revenue. Blink would own the charging stations outright.
- c. Option 2 DEC grant funding could be available to install chargers.

Green Building Technology

- 1. Onatru Park building energy data update Robert Fischman
 - a. No update from the Town Building Department

Master Plan Development

- Town of Lewisboro Steering Committee contribution to the Town's Master Plan Dan Welsh / Chris Coccaro
 - a. The committee reviewed a draft of the steering committee presentation
 - b. Robert will reach out to the steering committee to schedule a meeting

Climate Smart Community and Clean Energy Community

- 1. NYSERDA Clean Energy Community Grant Dan Welsh / Robert Fischman
 - a. Clean Energy Upgrades eligibility for municipal enrollment in Community Solar
 - i. Based on establishing a town energy baseline
 - b. Committee has received \$5,000 grant for leaf blower trade in program
 - i. Committee is reviewing and developing forms for the program.
 - Dan and Robert to coordinate form development and used blower trade in disposal.
- 2. Additional CEC High Impact Action opportunities Robert Fischman / Dan Welsh
 - a. Recommended actions include (w/ responsible party):
 - i. Adoption of Unified Solar Permit (Town Board)
 - ii. Energy Code Enforcement Training (Building Inspector)
 - iii. Adoption of NYStretch Energy Code (Town Board)
 - iv. Benchmarking (Facilities Maintenance Manager/Sustainability Committee)
 - v. Clean Fleets (Town Board)
 - vi. Clean Energy Upgrades (Town Board)
 - vii. Clean Heating & Cooling Demo (Town Board)
 - viii. Community Campaigns (Sustainability Committee)
- 3. Use of possible grant funds Robert Fischman and Dan Welsh
- 4. Town Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory
 - a. Tabled till next month

New Business

- 1. LED lighting for Town Park sports facilities
 - a. Lewisboro Baseball Association asked for help with efforts to evaluate LED lighting conversion at Town Park. Two proposals had been received. Additional input is warranted and will be provided. Robert Fischman
- 2. Dan shared a draft town policy document. Committee is asked to review and comment.

NOTES

• Next meeting November 10, 2021

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Sarah Coccaro to develop various "did you know" updates to keep Lewisboro residents up to date.
- 2. Dan Welsh will develop a series of bullet points to discuss recent storm impacts, resiliency, and steps the town can take to be more prepared for storm events
- 3. Robert Fischman will reach out to the steering committee to schedule a meeting
- 4. Christopher Coccaro to update the steering committee presentation
- 5. Dan Welsh and Robert Fischman to coordinate form development and used blower trade in disposal.