Town of Lewisboro Sustainability Committee

MONTHLY MEETING, 11/10/2021

ATTENDEES

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

Lewisboro Residents: Dianne Perfit, Meir Alkon, Jessica Leibman, Steve Miller, and Lateasha Stapleton

AGENDA

Acceptance of the October Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting Minutes were unanimously accepted

Membership

- 1. Lewisboro Civic Organization Outreach Robert Fischman
 - a. Coordination is ongoing
- 2. Committee interest Robert Fischman and Dan Welsh
 - a. Outreach and coordination is ongoing. Additional prospective members have reached out regarding attending monthly meetings.
- 3. Lewisboro "Did you know" updates Sarah Coccaro
 - a. One update has been posted regarding the town recycling center
 - b. Sarah has asked for recommendations for other posts or topics

Communications

- 1. Katonah- Lewisboro Times Letter to the Editor Robert Fischman
 - a. Potential topics
 - i. Electric lawn equipment
 - ii. Food Scrap Recycling
 - iii. Sustainable holidays
- 2. Town Board Storm Impact and Resiliency Presentation Dan Welsh
 - a. This will be combined with the Town Climate Crisis Declaration

Alternatives to Automobile Transportation

- 1. EV Charging Proposal Dan Welsh
 - a. Currently pursuing NYSDEC grant funding through Sustainable Westchester
 - b. Currently waiting on authorization for grant to cover 16, dual-port charging stations on town property

Master Plan Development

- Town of Lewisboro Steering Committee contribution to the Town's Master Plan Dan Welsh / Chris Coccaro
 - a. Steering committee is currently focused on the RFP to a town planner.

Climate Smart Community and Clean Energy Community

- 1. Leaf Blower Rebate Program Dan Welsh / Robert Fischman / Sarah Coccaro
 - a. Program will developed for spring roll out
- 2. Town Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory Dan Welsh
 - a. Roll into climate crisis declaration
- 3. Additional CEC High Impact Action opportunities
 - a. Discussed community campaigns to meet these impact actions
 - i. One potential idea is a community solar campaign with only 10 sign-ups needed
 - ii. Prior community solar campaign does not qualify
 - iii. Campaign would include running a webinar, workshop, or other social media campaign
 - b. Adoption of Stretch Code
 - Committee will draft a letter to request the town board hear a presentation from NYSERDA and adopt the stretch codes as town code. Robert will draft the letter.

New Business

- 1. Town Park Lighting
- 2. Food Scrap Recycling Program
- 3. 2022 Goals
 - a. Chris to share cloud based document to brainstorm goals and ideas
- 4. Westchester Power Program

• Next meeting December 8, 2021

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Dan Welsh to develop Town Climate Emergency Declaration
- 2. Dan Welsh and Robert Fischman to coordinate NYSDEC grant for EV chargers
- 3. Robert Fischman to draft a letter that requests the town board hear a presentation from NYSERDA and adopt the NYS stretch code
- 4. Chris Coccaro to share 2022 goal planning document