

MONTHLY MEETING, 12/8/2021

ATTENDEES

Committee Members: Robert Fischman, Dan Welsh, Janet Harckham, Thomas Kelly, Sarah Cocco, Chris Cocco

Lewisboro Residents: Tania Henderson, Dianne Perfit, Austin Omin, Jessica Leibman, Lateasha Stapleton

AGENDA

Acceptance of the November Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting minutes from the November Meeting were reviewed and unanimously accepted

2022 Goals

1. Review of 2022 Goals - Christopher Cocco
 - a. Reviewed and developed 2022 goal planning worksheet

Food Scrap Recycling

1. Food Scrap Recycling Update - Sarah Cocco
 - a. Robert, Sarah, Jessica, and Tony Gonçalves met at the Bedford Hills Recycling Center to review their food recycling operations.
 - b. Robert reported that he, Jessica, Tony and Peter Ripperger then met to review locations to begin food scrap program in Lewisboro
 - c. Discussed next steps

Membership

1. Lewisboro Civic Organization Outreach - Robert Fischman
 - a. Library volunteer fair is being rescheduled to either Feb 26 or Mar 12
 - i. Rob or another member of the committee will speak at the event to engage additional volunteers
2. Committee interest - Robert Fischman and Dan Welsh
 - a. Residents that are interested in joining the committee as an appointed member were directed to complete the online form at lewisboro.gov
 - b. Robert will submit a letter to the town board with nominations to the committee. Among meeting attendees, Dianne and Lateasha confirmed interest in being appointed. Austin welcomed a role as committee liaison to the John Jay Environmental Club in the Katonah-Lewisboro Schools.

Communications

1. Katonah-Lewisboro Times Letter to the Editor - Robert Fischman
 - a. Article topics and distribution may be aligned with quarterly newsletters.
2. Outreach/Marketing Campaign - Sarah Coccaro & Dianne Perfit
 - a. Sarah and Dianne presented the draft outreach plan to the committee for review and comment.

Alternatives to Automobile Transportation

1. EV Charging Proposal - Dan Welsh & Robert Fischman
 - a. Application has been submitted to NYSDEC to cover cost of the charging stations and installation

Master Plan Development

1. Town of Lewisboro Steering Committee contribution to the Town's Master Plan - Dan Welsh / Chris Coccaro
 - a. Chris will reach out to the steering committee to discuss the Lewisboro Strategic Plan and goals

Climate Smart Community and Clean Energy Community

1. Letter Recommending Adoption of Stretch Code - Robert Fischman
 - a. Draft is in progress, Rob will share a draft with the committee for review and comment
2. Leaf blower program
 - a. Tabled until spring
 - b. Senate Bill 7453 and Assembly Bill 8327 include point-of-sale rebates to homeowners for electric lawn care equipment.

New Business

1. None

NOTES

- Next meeting January 12, 2021

ACTION ITEMS

1. Dan Welsh will confirm with the Town Finance Department that a contract can be put in place and that funds are available for Suburban Carting to collect food scraps as part of the program

2. Chris Coccaro will contact the Steering Committee to discuss the Sustainable Strategic Plan and next steps
3. Robert Fischman will draft a letter recommending the town adopt the NY Stretch Code and share with the committee for review and comment.
4. Sarah Coccaro will coordinate Food Scrap Recycling Program next steps
5. Robert Fischman will submit a letter to the town board to nominate new members for appointment to the committee.
6. Sarah Coccaro and Dianne Perfit will finalize and implement the outreach plan