

# MONTHLY MEETING, 5/19/2022

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## Meeting Details:

Time: May 19, 2022 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87925229609?pwd=bDZVRlJnRVMxMTVNcHFEMEc4K0E0dz09>

## ATTENDEES

Committee Members: Robert Fischman, Christopher Coccaro, Sarah Coccaro, Jessica Gallagher, Meir Alkon, Robert Whittaker

Town Board Liaison: Dan Welsh

Lewisboro Residents: Austin Omin

## AGENDA

### Acceptance of the April Meeting Minutes

1. Robert motioned to accept the minutes, Jessica seconded the motioned, the motion was unanimously approved.

### Food Scrap Recycling

1. Food Scrap Recycling Update - Jessica Gallagher & Sarah Coccaro
  - a. Collected ~550 pounds per week
  - b. Jessica will be working at the Gossett Farmers Market to promote the program
  - c. Sarah and Jessica will develop a calendar of events for the committee to attend and sell starter kits
  - d. ~50 kits sold to date
  - e. Sarah recommended writing an article for the local paper for program progress, where people can purchase kits, and ask questions about food recycling.
2. NYSDEC Food Scrap Recycling Grant - Robert Fischman
  - a. \$2 million program operated by NYSDEC, half is for environmental justice communities, other half is for other municipalities
  - b. Grant's purpose is for waste reduction, recycling, and household waste reduction programs

### Membership

1. 2022 Committee Membership - Robert Fischman
  - a. Robert Whittaker and Meir Alkon have been approved as committee members by the town board.

## Events

1. Landscaping Rebate Program - Meir Alkon & Robert Fischman
  - a. Dumpster can be provided by Brookfield carting for collection
  - b. Drop off times - Typical recycling facility Saturday morning times. Potentially include an additional event.
  - c. Discussion on the preferred approach for rebates - at the point of sale and reimbursement to the store, or mail-in rebate to the resident.
  - d. Rebate vouchers will be \$100
  - e. Action items:
    - i. Collect photos for dumpster location - Meir Alkon
    - ii. Coordination with Chubby's - Dan Welsh
    - iii. Coordination with Copia - Meir Alkon
    - iv. Develop Voucher Template - Chris Coccaro
    - v. Social Media and Town Media - Sarah Coccaro
    - vi. Signage - Meir Alkon
    - vii. Trade in and Voucher Tracking - Chris Coccaro
  - f. Schedule
    - i. Pending go-ahead from Chubby, kick off by 2 week following their buy-in.
    - ii. Earliest kick-off date would be June 3rd.

## Town of Lewisboro Coordination

1. Adoption of Stretch Code - Dan Welsh & Robert Fischman
  - a. Dan will be proposing to be included in upcoming Town Board Meetings

## Climate Smart Community and Clean Energy Community

1. Climate Smart Community Accreditation Plan - Dan Welsh and Tom Kelly
  - a. Plan is in development
2. Clean Energy Community High Impact Action Items - Robert Fischman
  - a. Community Solar Campaign - Meir Alkon
    - i. Campaign development is ongoing
  - b. EnergySmart Homes Campaign - Clean heating & cooling and energy efficiency
    - i. Pound Ridge's campaign is up and running
    - ii. Campaign development is ongoing

## Funding and Grants

1. Grant funding and status - Tom Kelly
  - a. No update

## New Business

1. KL Schools Sustainability Event, June 16th Evening
  - a. Bedford 2030 and TOLS Sustainability Committee will be invited to participate
  - b. Event is open to the whole community
  - c. Robert and Janet to discuss coordination role with the school district for the event
  - d. Committee will post flyers for the event on Committee's social media outlets

2. Climate Change open discussions / panels at various libraries or other locations for part of their fall programs

## NOTES

- Next meeting June 16, 2022

## ACTION ITEMS

1. Jessica Gallagher will work at the Gossett Farmers Market to promote the food scraps program
2. Sarah Cocco and Jessica Gallagher will develop a calendar of events for the committee to attend and sell food scrap recycling starter kits
3. Sarah Cocco recommended writing an article for the local paper for program progress, where people can purchase kits, and ask questions about food recycling.
4. Electrified Lawn Equipment Rebate Program Action items:
  - a. Collect photos for dumpster location - Meir Alkon
  - b. Coordination with Chubby's - Dan Welsh
  - c. Coordination with Copia - Meir Alkon
  - d. Develop Voucher Template - Chris Cocco
  - e. Social Media and Town Media - Sarah Cocco
  - f. Signage - Meir Alkon
  - g. Trade in and Voucher Tracking - Chris Cocco
5. Dan Welsh will propose to adopt the stretch code in upcoming Town Board Meeting
6. Dan Welsh and Tom Kelly will develop a Climate Smart Community Accreditation Plan