

Minutes to the Monthly Meeting of the Sustainable Weston

February 12, 2019

Attendees:

Jens Buettner	Member, Weston Sustainability Committee
Ken Coulson	Member, Weston Sustainability Committee
Marc de Mul	Secretary, Weston Sustainability Committee
Amy Kalafa	Chair, Weston Sustainability Committee
Tom Socha	Member, Weston Sustainability Committee
Bonnie Troy	Co-chair, Weston Sustainability Committee
Collin Socha	Student Affiliate Member, Weston Sustainability Committee
Tiffany Donovan	Alternate Member, Weston Sustainability Committee
Eric Shrago	Alternate Member, Weston Sustainability Committee
Larry Shore	Weston resident
Sonia Skindrud	Weston resident

Not present:

Kirby Brendsel	Member, Weston Sustainability Committee
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Meeting opened at 7:35 PM.

1. The minutes of the previous meeting on January 10, 2019 were unanimously approved.

2. Addition of 2 alternate committee members (Amy)

Tiffany Donovan and Eric Shrago were appointed by the Board of Selectmen as alternate committee members (non-voting committee members). Both introduced themselves to the committee.

3. BYOB ordinance follow-up:

a. March 7 Public Event (Bonnie / Amy)

Flyers are being printed. Local environmental organizations will have tables. Need volunteers by 5:30 PM to help set up. Collin can get high school students to volunteer. Tiffany can sell raffle tickets. Tom to email Jonathan how to link funds received to town account. Kiwani's: Marc to present on 2/23 at 8:15 AM; we need someone to present on 2/16. We have 30+ attractive donated gifts for the raffle.

Guest speakers:

Jennifer Heaton-Jones – Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority – Recycling of Plastic Bags

Louis Burch – Citizens Campaign for the Environment

Marc: we should give a short introduction on the Weston bag ordinance

Amy: create a March 7 event subcommittee; Bonnie, Amy, Tom, Tiffany volunteered.

Tom: send out a checklist; Bonnie will write this up

b. March 7 School Event (Tom / Collin)

Assembly will not be possible; instead considering a lunchtime event

c. Merchant education (Marc / Larry Shore)

Tom spoke to Jim Magee; proposed that HS design be on one side of bag and Peter's Market logo on the other side; Jim would be happy to sell that bag as long as Peter's Market is on one side of the bag. Tom and Ken offered to meet with Larry and the merchants in addition to Marc.

d. Bags - logo (Jens / Ken)

"Tree" logo was unanimously approved by committee. Color is not decided and may vary.

e. Bags - production (Jens / Amy)

Jens: will take care of release of artwork/design for bag. Jens/Tom will forward contact information for artist to Amy.

4. Events:

a. Sustainable living speaker series

Discussion postponed to next meeting; looking at early May for next speaker session

5. Communications:

a. Website (Marc)

Marc: post event information to the town calendar

b. Facebook (Bonnie / Jens)

Everyone who wants to be an administrator should "friend" Bonnie on Facebook.

c. Newsletter (Kelvin / Tiffany)

No actions needed.

6. Green Leaf schools update (Collin)

Discussion postponed to next meeting.

7. Sustainable CT Kickoff (Eric)

Amy: focus next meeting on Sustainable CT

Establish subcommittee for this effort; Bonnie, Sonia, Tom, Collin volunteered

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 PM.