

Weston Sustainability Committee  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 22, 2011

Present: Members Deirdre Doran, David Wilk, Clem Butt, Phoebe Cole-Smith; Guests: Valerie Mason Finegan, Helen DeKeijzer, Ellen McCormick  
Absent: Don Kendall, Lou Dempsey, Eileen Kaufman  
The meeting was called to order by Deirdre Doran, Chairman at 7:40 PM

The minutes of the previous meeting were not voted on for approval as Lou Dempsey, Secretary was absent.

**Old Business:**

The committee discussed the Green Village Initiative meeting that some attended. There is a strong sense of the meeting that members support the efforts of GVI and will continue to attend meetings in the future.

There is still a strong interest in a Community Garden. Depending on GVI's plans for developing a garden somewhere in Weston, the committee will revisit this issue in future meetings.

The Web site will be updated in the next few weeks.

Deirdre is composing an article for Weston Magazine for its next issue.

Valerie discussed her plan to "Lunch at the Dump" with the workers there. She is researching current practices and will report her findings at the next meeting. She has ideas on rewriting the brochure on recycling for the Town. She and Deirdre are reaching out to Parks and Rec and Public Works departments on best practices, including how to acquire recycling bins.

Clem will research how fields can provide water fountains. He and Deirdre will discuss follow-up with members of Town committees and staff.

David updated the committee on the next two speakers programs: Jared Duval's talk Wednesday evening, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at The Grange, and Anna Lappe's talk at the Unitarian Church on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, which is cosponsored by the Green Village Initiative.

**New Business:**

There was a discussion of tax credits to residents who reduce their carbon footprint.

Phoebe brought up the notion of collaborating with Chef's Collaborative. She will look into this and other groups who follow food/farming issues.

Phoebe and Ellen McCormick will look into plans for Earth Day. They are also interested in creating a panel event to include farmers who know how to help residents with vegetable gardens and raising chickens.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Deirdre Doran  
Secretary pro-tem, February 22, 2011