

Weston Sustainability Committee Minutes from 10/27/10

Attendees: Deirdre Doran, David Wilk, Eileen Kaufman, Lou Dempsey
Meeting Started at 7:30 p.m.

- 1) Election of Officers: Chairman, Deirdre Doran, Vice Chairman, David Wilk, Treasurer, Lou Dempsey, Secretary, TBD
- 2) Introduction of Jessica Bergman, Neighbor to Neighbor Energy Challenge Clean Water Energy Lead Organizer 860B Silas Deane Hwy., Wethersfield, CT 06109. jbergman@cleanwater.org 860-232-6232
5 Finger approach to organizations: 1. Faith 2. Educational (elementary, middle, high school), 3. Business, 4. Community Groups, 5. Seniors
They will help to coordinate on Election Day (if time allows). We will have a follow-up meeting with Jessica on 11/10/10, location tbd.
- 3) Stephan Grozinger, President of Weston Planning & Zoning introduced the "Town Plan"
 - Review recycling process (adopt Greenwich plan?)
 - Track Water Quality and Volume
 - Erosion Issues (not really a WSC issue)
 - Bicycle Committee

He also gave his thoughts regarding the proposed community garden. Said P&Z had positive thoughts on the idea. Desired location is behind Norfield Church.

Suggested steps: formally propose idea with selectman, "824", article in Weston Forum, Anne & Chase Troxell need to speak with neighbors.

- 4) Deirdre mentioned April Howell would be interested in doing research for WSC. Specific items include what other towns are doing with energy, water, recycling issues (Greenwich, Martha's Vineyard may have good programs to research).
- 5) Are there any laws currently in Weston or other towns in Fairfield County.
- 6) Lou will contact Patty Gay at the Weston Forum to see if a regular article is appropriate.
- 7) Recycling Bins: would town pay, would families pay? Cost could be \$180 per bin.

8) Grants: There is a grant up to \$2,500 available from the CT Clean Energy Fund. David said he would be happy to write a grant if we had a current project.

9) WSC Website: David will follow-up to get password to access.

10) Deirdre reviewed the details if the Freedom of Information Act.

11) We need to establish a regular monthly meeting date.

12) Three people would like to meet with us:

-Tracy Kulikowski-Weston Land Use Director

-Tom Failla-Conservation Committee

-Bike Committee

13) Coordinate with Conservation Committee

Meeting Adjourned by David Wilk at 9:13p.m.

Minutes submitted by Lou Dempsey on 10/27/10.