Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting

November 3, 2014

Attending: Deb Harrison, Mark MacLean, Carol Hills, Leigh Hafrey and Chuck Kabat.

Review of Dedham Green Fair -- Overall, luke warm review of success. Mark mentioned better placement of rubbish and recycle bins; Deb discussed how two-three vendors told her in advance they don't have the time or staff to attend this and Dedham Trails Day; all want to continue discussion on value of attaching our day to Dedham Day event.

Dedham Greenway -- Tom Ciano of 28 Hazelnut Place, an abutter, attended to voice strong concerns and opposition to the project. Concerns include the possibility of enhanced drug traffic, truth behind its finances (feels our committee is incorrect in its advanced assessment on finances), feels the child obesity issue is false, concerned about snow mobile traffic, and legitimately feels his security will be threatened. He does not feel meetings about the events are well publicized. Tom then departed.

Committee members would like more information on the notion of it self-policing itself; Mark brought up issue of a potential dog ban if Dedham Parks & Rec runs it.

Recycle Event -- Overall success. Frustration by all at electronics vendor; agreed by all to continue as 2X per year event; worth researching and educating us and community on the local business resources that take back items for recycling, such as Best Buy, and consider a resource page on our website. Chuck feels this could make a good Dedham Times article.

NSL Letter -- Clarify the "who" it is from; and committee would like additional clarity on Dedham's current relationship with the vendor.

Water Bill -- Committee discussion.

Adjourned.