

**Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting
October 5, 2015**

Attending: Leigh Hafrey, Deb Harrison, Chuck Kabat, John Gorham, Virginia LeClair

D. Harrison called the meeting of October 5, 2015 to order. L. Hafrey second. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes

C. Kabat made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 14, 2015. L. Hafrey second. All in favor.

Recycling Event Re-Cap

The Committee reviewed the October recycling event. J. Gorham commented that October is the best time for electronics. They took TVs, but they may not in the future because they are expensive for the recycler to recycle. C. Kabat agreed that the event went well. There was a lot of scrap metal collected, but in the past they had filled an entire dumpster and had to call for a second. This year people seemed to like that this event was held the same day as Household Hazardous Waste Day. The shredding also did fine with having the first box free; people did not bring more than 1 box.

Climate Change Lecture Discussion

The Committee discussed the speakers for the event: Julie Wood, CRWA; Karen Heymann, Mass Audubon; Julie Conroy, MAPC; and Charlie Derber, BC Professor and author. Leigh Hafrey will moderate the discussion.

V. LeClair will correspond with speakers and ask them to send their presentations to D. Harrison in advance. D. Harrison will reach out to Dedham High School AP Environmental Science teacher Christine Casali about having students from DHS and Nobles participate in the panel.

The panelists will speak in the following order:

Leigh Hafrey – welcome
Karen Heymann, Mass Audubon
Julie Wood, CRWA
Charlie Derber, BC
Students
Julie Conroy, MAPC

C. Kabat will write a media advisory and V. LeClair will work on a poster for the event. The title of the event is Climate Change: Its Impact On Our Communities, hosted by the Dedham Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Posters will be distributed to:

Post offices
Roche Brothers
Dedham Square shops
Starbucks – Norwood, Dedham and Westwood
Libraries

Town Hall
Facebook/Website
Rotary and Chamber of Commerce
Schools
Dedham Sq. Scoop

Goals of the event:

- Education and Outreach
- Local Impact
- What are communities doing to address climate change
- How to be a part of the solution

The event will be held at Noble & Greenough School, Baker Science Building. D. Harrison will make up sandwich boards directing traffic to the building.

New Town Hall Discussion

V. LeClair updated the Committee on the plans for the new Town Hall, which is scheduled to be complete by the fall of 2017. The building will be 30% more efficient than the base and will host a high efficient boiler, as well as occupancy sensors to control much of the space.

Old/New Business

Proposed Statewide Styrofoam Ban

V. LeClair presented on behalf of C. Hills, who could not attend the meeting, her proposal for the Committee to support the statewide Styrofoam ban that is being proposed. As an advisory committee C. Hills would like to see us advise the Selectmen to support this measure in whatever way that they can. She would like to see our committee formally endorse it and ask that the BOS, Representative and Senator do the same, as well as local citizens. There is a one-year fade in period.

The Committee was interested in learning more about the proposal prior to endorsing it. V. LeClair will forward information from C. Hills to the Committee and add it to the next agenda.

Upcoming Meetings

The Committee laid out the framework for the next two meetings. The November 2nd meeting they would like to focus on the climate change event. The December meeting they would like to focus the entirety of that meeting on setting goals for 2016.

Adjourn

C. Kabat made a motion to adjourn. J. Gorham second. All in favor.