

Town of Hanover

Sustainable Hanover Committee

Minutes for July 16, 2014.

Attendees: David McManus (chair), Chris Kennedy, Becky Hoeffler—Dartmouth Sustainability Office, Susan Edwards, Yolanda Baumgartner, Marjorie Rogalski, Julia Griffin

Master Plan study group—Chris Kennedy reported that they have reviewed 4-5 chapters of the Master plan and hope to meet with the Planning Board in late August to discuss their effort.

Recycling Committee—Another plant pot collection is scheduled for this Saturday, July 19. Due to changes in the processing of the collected material and the fact the Hanover residents can recycle these materials in their curbside collections, the Recycling Committee will review whether or not to continue this effort or perhaps make changes to it.

The Annual yard sale conducted with Dartmouth will be held August 30, 2014. The price to participate increased to \$25 for a double-space and \$15 for a single space. Susan is looking for volunteers to help with the sale. If you can help, please contact her at Susanedwards67@gmail.com

Green Power Study group—Hanover is officially the first EPA Green Power Community in New Hampshire! Julia received a suggested press release from the EPA which she will circulate to the partners (Dartmouth College, Hypertherm, etc) for their comments prior to release. The Hanover Selectboard has been told of the GPC achievement and is supportive of the SHC's efforts.

Yolanda will contact eNH and Marjorie will contact North American Power regarding establishing a green power purchase program for the residents.

Solarize the Upper Valley -- Julia will co-ordinate with David to finalize the application for Vital Communities' Solarize the Upper Valley Program and submit it by July 21.

SHC and Town Website —There are number of obsolete SHC websites/pages that currently exist on the internet and need to be deleted. Hopefully, Lyn Swett Miller can help with this effort and Julia will work with tech support to try and achieve this. Yolanda will meet with Betsy Smith to implements updates and improvements to the Town website and SHC link.

Dartmouth Sustainability office—A Dartmouth student is interested in working on a college-town business initiative to encourage sustainability. There was discussion on how to encourage and implement this. It was suggested to co-ordinate with Vital Communities and to target specific practices rather than whole operations.

The minutes of June 18th were voted on and approved. Above minutes submitted by Marjorie Rogalski