

Sustainable Hanover Retreat
Wednesday July 15, 2015 from 8:30-11:30am
at Susan Edwards' House
11 Woodmore Dr, Hanover

AGENDA/MINUTES

1. Events

- a. Yard Sale - Confirmed for Saturday of Labor Day Weekend. Jenna says "have to meet some new requirements re. having a police detail and submitting a volunteer/parking plan"
- b.

2. Guests:

- a. Mary Donin, potential SHC member - introduced by Larry
- b. Scott Stokoe who is working on developing a sustainability workshop for HHS teachers

3. Meetings

- a. Next one August 19th. Larry out for September meeting

4. Membership (potential recruits)

- a. Julie Stevenson, new dean of students
- b. Joanne Roberts replacement?

5. Programs

- a. Green Power Community - Continued push
 - i. I'd like some discussion regarding the Town's Building Permitting process vis-a-vis identifying renewable energy/energy efficiency aspects of work approved so we have a way to track the numbers. (MR)
 - ii. I'd like to propose a net zero energy framework (YB)
 - iii. Do we want to go thru the Energy Committee Workshop that has been developed by Vital Communities/NH LES
- b. Community Solar - Andrew from NH Solar Garden sounding interested in working with us
 - i. David will follow up with him
- c. Energy Efficiency/Button Up Program (similar to Solarize and Green Power Challenge)
 - i. Energy Sub-committee takes this on
- d. HHS Greenhouse SHC (and maybe Dartmouth's?) interface
 - i.
- e. Master Plan/Resiliency (CK)
 - i. Have been trying to get better connected with Planning Board (not happening, maybe it is the summer)
 - ii. Zoning Change to propose - modify the rules around Accessory Dwelling Units
- f. Recycling/Waste/Composting
 - i. Hypertherm recently initiated a wonderful program attempting to reach net-zero waste stream in their business. SHC should discuss how to spread the word on this and support it. (MR)
 - ii.
- g. SHC Website - What do we want it to eventually look like and do we want to add phone numbers, email addresses?
- h. Solarize Update
 - i.
- i. Transportation this continues to be one of the major carbon emitters, should SHC be working to promote car-pooling, Park and Rides, etc.? (MR)
 - i. It would be great if we could support taking the bus to the COOP instead of driving

j. Miscellaneous -

- i. I found a list of goals SHC considered back in 2013 which included: a recycling program for downtown businesses, establishing a liaison with all 2 Hanover schools, and increasing our membership (possibly through a community wide workshop). (MR)

Peter - Town solar project and Recycling. Herbicides question. Renewing GPC (Kendall, Co-Op)

Marjorie - Community solar, Transportation

Yolanda - Green Power - redefining into Net Zero Energy Community (modeled after Cambridge, MA)

Larry - Landscaping issues, rain gardens, and stormwater sequestration, mowing practices.

Susan - Recycling, Waste composting, Plant Pot Recycling

Julia - Household hazardous waste at Hartford

Mary - Just listening

Chris - Masterplan (Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) modifications), Permaculture, better diffusion/connection throughout town boards. Connection with schools. Improve opportunities for aging in place, walkability, better use of sewer and water

Sub-committees

Phasing the programs

Weatherization

“Bioshelter” at HHS, 2 wk Sustainable Summer Camp Jeff Sharp Jonathan Engineer and

Permaculture study group - Larry L