

Lee Sustainability Committee Meeting
APPROVED Minutes
September 12, 2017 7pm
Lee Safety Complex

Members Present: Chuck Cox, Paul Gasowski, Dean Rubine

Members Absent: Leslie Adams, Brian Giles, Matt Rowell

Public: none

Call to Order 7:08

Agenda: Added Energy Committee Solar Series proposal to agenda

Public Comments: None

8/8/17 minutes, moved Dean, second Chuck, approved unanimously without changes.

Correspondence:

Chuck reported on the York Diversity Forum and First Parish Church Interfaith Program, Thursdays at 7pm at Fellowship Hall in York, Me. Thursday September 14th's meeting is "How does your faith respond to environmental issues?" and September 28th's meeting is "The role of your faith tradition in peacemaking."

Discussion:

Paul: LSC report to Select Board went well. Paul, Leslie and Dean all spoke. All pleased by the interest and enthusiasm the board showed in the committee's work.

Dean: Propose three composting articles for E-Crier: Composting at home, large scale farm composting, municipal composting. Dean suggested Matt for the second one; Paul suggested consulting with Erick Sawtelle for that one as well. Dean contacting UNH Kingman Farm for third.

Paul: Review well document; added # of wells in Lee (1592 including 23 new and 2 in Thurston Woods)

Committee reviewed well document; Dean will scan his marked up copy and get it to Leslie and everyone.

Chuck reported on Backyard Farming Initiative, 4th Monday of the month at the Lee Grange starting January 2018. Keep Calm and Garden On.

Talks: 1/29/18 What can you do in your yard? 2/26/18 What to put in your garden. 3/26 Where to put your garden. 4/23 How to care for your garden. 5/21 When to harvest your garden. Sustainability issues will be covered in each talk. Unanimous vote to investigate if the Ag Commission is interested in having the Sustainability Committee share the cost of BFI, help in other ways.

Logo: Dean said he'd send high resolution version to Paul. Everyone fine with Dean's draft.

Logo/First article: Brian's article is ready to go into E-Crier, pending Brian's approval of the logo.

Paul described current LSC budget: \$1000. \$100 clerical, \$900 outreach, latter including \$550 printing \$200 speeches, \$150 conferences. Dean moved, Chuck seconded committee submit the same budget for the upcoming year. Unanimously approved.

Mary Woodward of the Energy Committee is organizing Solar Awareness Program events in Grange Hall on successive Monday evenings in November. Jim Banks and Revision Energy are involved. The Energy Committee asked if we at LSC would co-sponsor. Unanimous vote in favor.

Chuck: Energy Committee involved in moving Swap Shop. LSC encourages sustainable practices in the construction and use of the new Swap Shop. Chuck moved LSC offers to work with Energy Committee in ways they suggest on the new swap shop program. Dean second. Unanimously approved.

Public Comments: None

Next Meeting Tuesday 10/10/17 7 pm Safety Complex.

Adjourned 8:50 PM