Lee Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes - APPROVED October 26, 2016 at 7:00PM Lee Public Safety Complex

Present: Paul Gasowski, Leslie Adams, Matt Rowell, Brian Giles, Chuck Cox

Absent: Dean Rubine

Call to Order at 7:05PM by Paul Gasowski

## **Preliminary Actions**

- A. New Business: Discuss drought mailer and annual town report submission.
- B. Introductions: Matt Rowell was introduced as this was his meeting attendance.
- C. Minutes: Minutes approved from 9/20/16
- D. Correspondence: Chuck reviewed his attendance at a Seacoast Regional Committee regarding solar energy opportunities.

**Public Comments: None** 

#### **Discussion Items**

- A. Update on Reading List: Chuck reviewed the list as it currently stands and requested submissions from the group. When developed, we will share the list with the Lee Library to try to make them available to Lee residents. We also discussed suggesting some titles in the Lee Library Book Club.
- B. Water Resource Findings: Leslie introduced her research on the topic. The group discussed the idea of sending a mailer out to residents to inform them of the continual drought. It was determined the LSC does not have the money to distribute a mailer. Leslie has a student who developed an informative flyer and the LSC will consider asking to use that to distribute electronically and to post physically around town (e.g. Transfer Station, Town Hall, UNH) and for electronic distribution (e.g. The Masthead, E-Crier, Community Newsletter). Brian suggested the LSC should have a long term plan to address water consumption in town. It was decided that Matt and Leslie would work together to have the flyer built and reviewed as well as request to publish a dry well survey by the LSC prior to the next Selectman's meeting.
- C. Mission Statement: Paul presented the current status of the LSC Vision, Mission Statement and Values. After some discussion it was decided that Paul will hone the inputs Brian provided for review, discussion and finalization at the next meeting.

## **New Business**

A. Budget Review: After group discussion motion was passed to request a \$1000 budget with structure. This was voted on and approved.

- B. Merging: The group discussed the possibility of merging with the Energy and Trails Committees. The consensus at this time was to not merge but to continue to work closely with those and all other relevant committees and commissions in town.
- C. Annual Town Report: Paul will prepare for review a short (not to exceed one page) submission to the Annual Town Report.
- D. Action Items and Next Steps: Paul will continue work on the Mission Statement and Leslie and Matt will continue work to inform the community about the drought conditions.

E. Other: None

**Public Comments: None** 

# **Closing Actions**

- A. Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 9th, 2016 at 7:00PM, location TBD.
- B. Agenda Planning:
  - 1. Finalize Mission Statement
  - 2. Discuss drought flyer, dry well survey and E-Crier submission.
  - 3. Update Reading List

# Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM