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Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee

Minutes

114 Main Street

Thursday, August 6, 2015

Members present: Carole Collins, George Touloumtzis, Ashli Stempel, Kurt Richardson, Don Ouelette, Tara Kurland, Mark Maloni—Quorum Reached

Members Absent: Nancy Hazard

Called to order at 4:50 PM

Approval of July minutes.

Kurt moved accept the July minutes, Mark seconded. Friendly amendments by George. Passed unanimously.

Old Business.

Complete Streets:

- Updates from Maureen Pollock via Carole:
 - Funding for complete streets delayed
 - There will be trainings in Complete Streets principles and planning in the fall so recommendation that we wait to push a policy forward until fall to garner more community support
 - Planning Board endorses the effort to implement a complete streets policy
 - Brief review of policy types:
 - Resolution
 - Ordinance
 - Mayoral order

Committee Membership:

- No definitive appointments as of yet
- Laurie followed up with Youth Commission
- Someone has expressed interest and will be submitting a letter of interest to the Mayor
- Nancy is looking to recruit:
 - Student
 - At large

- Youth organization

Snow Removal Ordinance:

- Council passed at July meeting without enhanced fine structure
- Discussion of community outreach and education ideas to promote awareness that property owners are responsible for snow removal
 - Recorder coverage?
 - PSAs via WHAI and Bear Country?
 - Mailer for water and sewer bills in fall?
 - Door hangers for violations (reminder/nudge)?

Master Plan Stakeholder Clarification:

- Efforts aren't always as easily pinned down as the plan would imply
- George met with Eric to distinguish between Planning Dept. and Planning Board lead designations
 - Stakeholders might be even more diffuse than we thought – some departments and leads aren't even in the plan
- Takeaway = every effort should be reviewed to identify identified but also likely and interested stakeholders – plan identifications should be considered a helpful start, but not a definitive guide

Workgroup reports:

- None – happy August!

Biomass/Residential Wood smoke:

- General discussion on how to educate residents on the benefits of upgrading residential stoves
- Carole met with City Councilor Steve Ronhave to identify and review resources on residential wood smoke reduction planning
- Working to build a page of talking points to promote awareness

Adjourned at 6:00 PM