



Milton Economic Development **Sustainability Subcommittee**
Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, October 25, 2016
2nd Floor – Milton Public Library – 5:30 PM
Milton, DE 19968

1. Call Meeting to order: 5:35 PM
2. Roll call of members: Michela Coffaro, Lou Colon, Shannon Maner, Bob Howard, John King, Roberta Hagen, Bryant Messick
3. Corrections/ Approval of Agenda: Approved
4. Approval of minutes of the 8/23/2016 meeting: Approved (Bob Howard-Magnets)
5. Guest Speaker: Pam Batten, Assistant Director of the Milton Public Library, spoke about the Recycling presentation scheduled for Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 5:30 PM. The presentation will be given by Don Long from DENREC Division of Waste and Hazardous Substances. Pam has distributed the flyer to all of the library's media outlets including Facebook, and about 100 other sources including email, newspaper, etc. We mentioned an idea for the next topic **COMPOSTING!**
6. Announcements: **The November meeting will be held on the 15th after the recycling presentation. There will be no December meeting.**
7. Old Business
 - Bob Howard received 340 magnets for a cost of \$357.00.
 - Lou, Michela, and Shannon discussed meeting casually in December to develop committee work plans for 2017.
 - Shannon updated everyone on The Universal Recycling Regulation. The purpose of the regulation is to clarify existing legislation to increase commercial participation. The public hearing to make official comments is November 21, 2016 at 4 PM at the DENREC building in Dover.
 - Update on Transition 2.0
 - Possibly, watch a screening of the video January.
 - Shannon will send email with link to information on the Transition USA movement for committee members to review before the January meeting.

- There is a Transition initiative in Wilmington, Delaware. Their point of contact is Laura Philon, Shannon will reach out for an interview with her and report to the committee in January.
- We will discuss if we want to register on the website as a “Muller” (mulling it over) town once committee members are well informed on Transition.
- Michela mentioned meeting with the town council to discuss a Transition after members are able to research it further.
- Committee members discussed that Sussex County has no regulation on recycling construction and demolition debris, and how un-used construction materials in good condition are being disposed of in landfills. We discussed how Habitat for Humanity Restore facilitates the re-use of these product. Michela will contact Mark, at Restore, to set up a guest speaker possibly in February to inform committee members how this process works, and if there is anything we can do to help.
- We will be working towards setting up a presentation from Delaware Interfaith Power and Light at the library possibly in March.
- Roberta updated everyone on the little library endeavor. She is in the process of building the box to house the books. She has plenty of books to stock the little library for now, mostly children’s books. Once this project is complete it will be registered online at the little library website for anyone to look up.
- Lou is compiling an Excel workbook with the email we have collected from events. John King brought in more collected emails to add to Lou’s workbook.
- The letter to people interested in Sustainability Committee was sent.

8. New Business

- Hand deliver Recycling event flyers:
 - Roberta: Happy Cow, Food Lion, Backyard
 - Michela: Cantina Ultima, Woman’s Club
 - Bob: HOA, Town website
 - Lou: All other downtown businesses, and local realtors
 - Shannon: Delaware Technical Community College and Energy House
- Bob Howard accepted role as Sustainability Committee Treasurer.
- Sustainability Committee has received a \$1000.00 budget for 2017.
- Bob was asked to complete a report on money spent this year.
- Bob is going to ask Kristy to upload to PowerPoint presentation to the town website ASAP. He will submit the comments for the slides at a later date.
- The EDC will pursue the Rural Business Mentoring Program, and pursue inviting Rick Ferrel to discuss the downtown revitalization goals.
- Lou connected with the DSWA and will be meeting with them to arrange for a presentation. The presentation could be open to the public.
- Michela will speak with Kristy about establishing a line item for the Committee.
- Michela asked for a policy on handing out Committee’s purchased items.

Adjournment: 7:15 PM