



Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, June 26, 2018

Milton Sustainability Committee

2nd Floor – Milton Public Library - 5:30 PM

Milton, DE 19968

1. Call Meeting to order: 5:45 PM
2. Roll call of members: Michela Coffaro, Louis Colon, Frank Capparell, Anita Capparell, Chris Edgington, Ellen Lytton
3. Guests: Jean Holloway, SERCAP Shelly Cohen, Keep Our Wells Clean
4. Corrections/Approval of June 22, 2018 Agenda: Approved
5. Corrections/Approval of minutes
Kristy Rogers requested a correction to the 4/2018 minutes to state that: **“The Sustainability Budget is not to be used for meals\office supplies, but is allowed to be used for direct sustainability expenses.”**
5/22/18 meeting: Approved
6. Administrative Reports:
 - Chairman: Composting update
 - Vice Chairman:
 - Treasurer: Seeds Reimbursement \$36; balance remaining is \$375.00.:
 - Secretary: A motion was made and carried to hold a work session on 7/10/18 to work on the Guide
 - Members:
 - Chris Edgington suggested rearranging the Agenda and including an On- Going Report(s), as well as time limits.
7. Announcements\Reports:
 - June 1, 2018 6 PM the South Bethany Beach Library will be hosting a meeting re: Offshore Wind activities
 - VegFest June 8, 2018 – Frank & Anita Capparell: “The Sustainable Milton” table was well visited despite the rainy weather

- Delaware Senate passed both bills banning ocean drilling, was on its way to the House; Milton has passed similar resolutions.
 - **Plastic Free Delaware** to receive their cards for immediate distribution
 - SERCAP Volunteers Hours needed for Jean to complete her report; SERCAP stepping away from daily Grants administration; July 24, 2018 meeting will be focused on SERCAP; EFC sent a proposal to assist Milton with its plan; \$17,000 +/-; can avoid expenses by doing it ourselves; We need to decide on how to get public input.
8. Composting Bins still available through DNREC
9. **Old Business**
- **Composting Revisited** - Chris Edington mentioned that Northeast Regional Composting group offers a “Train the Trainer” composting course. Chris also reported that Composting is not a 3-drum barrel wish, but a serious commitment and effort by many. The size and scope are bigger than what the Milton Sustainability Committee can do without serious commitments by partners. Chris also recommended our FINAL Sustainability Plan should include a composting strategy. (waste management?) □
 - Seed Packets
10. New Business
- Invitations:
 - Check local paper for Double workshops at libraries: 1) Letters to Editors & 2) How To Talk to Politicians
 - 7/23/18 Sustainability & Climate Resiliency-Environmental Finance Ctr. Tide Water Utilities Bldg. Dover, DE
 - 6/29/18 Lewes Library-Sierra Club Movie
 - 7/6/18 OCEAN FRONTIERS III Movie- hosted by Unitarian Universalists of Sothern Delaware campus. Rte. 9
 - Life Sample Sustainability Next meeting
 - Horse Shoe Crab Festival report
 - Discussion of the sample sustainability plans by committee members
 - Discussion about roles, rules of the Sustainability Committee members & SERCAP
 - July 28, 2018 Meeting is dedicated to SERCAP
11. Sustainability Plan Review
- City of Baltimore, MD: Lou Colón -Presented a report of the Sustainability Plan for the City of Baltimore, MD. In brief, the Baltimore plan is perfect for a large city such as Baltimore, a city whose needs are much more diverse and a city that has the workforce and financial wherewithal to implement.
 - Bowie, MD: Frank Capparell gleaned from the Bowie Plan that it is important to 1) Create a GRAPHIC 2) Develop good techniques for Public Input 3) Have the FINAL translated. Other resources mentioned: USDN-Urban Sustainability Directors Network & EFC Environmental Finance Center.

- Frederick, MD: Chris Edgington shared with us that Frederick is the 2nd largest city in MD (2016); Chris shared that the Frederick, MD plan allowed for plenty of stakeholder input, and that it was well rounded, all-inclusive plan.
It covered Transportation, Energy, Impervious surfaces, Air Quality Water Quality and Green Energy
- Greenbelt, MD: Ellen Lytton reported Greenbelt has a population of 23,000+/-; that a framework to follow for developing the Milton Sustainability Plan would be to include\cross reference the Milton revised Comprehensive Plan; Citizen input is PRIMARY; also stressed was the need for buy-in from the Town of Milton including our town elected officials, town employees from appropriate departments, appropriate town committees and local groups such as the Garden Club, Historical Society, Milton and the Community Foundations. Topics included Energy, Food Systems, Green Building, Land Use, Transportation, Water and Waste Management.

Adjournment: 7:45 PM