

Sustainable Andover meeting notes
Dolores Blackburn's house
October 16, 2014
7:00-8:30pm

"Bringing people, businesses and the community together to develop policies and practices to create a sustainable Andover Township for all to enjoy"

10/16/14 Meeting Notes:

In attendance: Eric Olsen, Al Bills, Dolores Blackburn, Linda Grinthal, David Kolstad, Carla Kostelnik, Karen Yost

Old Business

Project updates

Community Garden plot to date the team has donated more than 800 lbs of produce to bodhi food pantry
ACTION: Eric to work with Linda and Carla to pull together a press release for the garden (include Sunset View, Newton HS, Sustainable Andover)

Certification update: Andover Township will be awarded bronze certification at the Sustainable Jersey luncheon on November 18 in Atlantic City.

ACTION: Eric will order luncheon tickets for Linda, Carla, David, Eric, Dolores, Diane, Karen to let me know. Eric will check in with Vita and other town hall employees.

Rain garden signage

ACTION: Eric working with designer, once have a new version of design send out for comments to whole team. Eric to send Al contact info for enviro signs

Sustainable Jersey grant report

ACTION: Eric will ask for report extension (extension to December 31st was granted). Karen to pull together draft of the grant report over the weekend and send out for review

New Business

2015 Winter Farmers market

Date is Sunday February 22, 2015 10-3

ACTION: Carla to lead the market again. Assemble small committee: Dolores, Linda, Karen, Eric to be on the committee

Needs: marketing, organizing, day of set up, securing vendors.

ACTION: Karen will look into Sustainable Andover banner and get quotes from a few vendors

ACTION: Carl will organize a December meeting with the market committee

ACTION: All to send any potential vendors to Carla.

2015 Project ideas

- Rain gardens at schools. Start with rehabbing the Long Pond school garden.
 - ACTION: Al will reach out to school about rehabbing the Long pond garden
 - ACTION: Carla will reach out to the Mike Ridge about growing native plants for gardens

- Efficient/"edible" landscape design (Linda)
 - ACTION: Linda pulled together information for the website--tailor this information for the website when it comes time
- ACTION: Need to have materials pulled together (table display, fliers, etc.). Develop a better "outreach"/marketing campaign to let people know who we are and what we're doing.
- ACTION: Karen will talk with Vita about having a dedicated SA space in the annual newsletter
- Karen suggested a paper shredding day as a fundraiser--possibly at the farmers market and at Andover day
- ACTION: Karen will look into details about this.
- Backyard composting concept was liked by all--can we pull together information or display in time for the winter market
- ACTION: Eric will ask Janis and Diane to pull this together.

Have a list of all Sustainable Andover meetings for 2015 with meeting venues for the whole year. 10 meetings...have 5 of them at town hall. Switch the meeting back to the last week (Thursday) of the year.

ACTION: Linda will talk with Savour about having meeting there once and a while.

Membership of 2015--all are still interested in being members. We'll need new member to replace Rosemary.

ACTION: All to think about new members and send ideas to Eric

Next meeting is joint potluck on Thursday November 20 @ 6:30 with Sustainable Andover, Environmental Commission and Open Space Committee @ the Hillside House.

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