

Sleepy Hollow Environmental Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes, June 7, 2021

via Zoom

Attendees: Nana Welch, Dave Avrin, Dan Convissor, Francois Rjeili
Guests: Sarah Smiley

1. Recap of Village Riversweep/Earth Day Programming
 - a. Riversweep went well at Devries - about 15 participants, next year volunteers may be part of the restoration that will be going on. Douglass went well - 10 volunteers, like Devries - not much garbage. We will continue to participate in the Riversweep next year.
2. SHEAC Board discussion
 - a. Jessica Fox is moving out of town. Her seat will be vacated. What is the role of the EAC going forward? Dave spoke to the mayor regarding having a direct connection to the board - possible replacements were discussed.
3. Village grant for improved food scrap program publicity/education
 - a. Unclear if grant has been administered and is moving forward
4. Watershed protection (healthy yards, pollinator pathways, Fremont Pond DEC grant, village leaf pick-up program)
 - a. Sarah will inquire with Anthony regarding the Fremont Pond Grant
 - b. The village has a draft plan out for the village green at Devries/Pocantico River. The plan was drafted by a landscape architect. A presentation was given at the BOT meeting.
5. Walkability (crosswalk improvements on Beekman Avenue)
 - a. Kersten Harries of the planning board is working to get some change orders into the current construction plan to enact some of the changes. She and Rachelle Gebler will engage the engineer.
6. New Business
 - a. Tree survey briefly discussed
 - b. Invite Fiona Matthews and Jared Rodriguez to next SHEAC meeting to discuss involvement with SHEAC
 - c. Sleepy Hollow Garden club is interested in working on the edge of Fremont Pond removing invasives. Perhaps landscape architect could offer suggestions on creating a living shoreline.
 - d. Next meeting will be in July, outdoors, July 12th
7. Climate Smart Community