

SHEAC CSC Notes: 5/1/23

-ATTENDEES:

online: Dan, Jared, Jacob

at VH: Sarah S, Judy K, Susanne J, Edith, Kirsten, Anne, Kiko, Gina

Notetaker: Gina

-INTRODUCTIONS

EARTH MONTH RECAP:

-Pollinator garden - Susanne: - children + grownups came out; great day volunteers; will share photos

-Repair Cafe - GC: watch NBC clip; ~100 attendees; more interest in having events

-River Sweep - Judy: Char / Judy were featured in member spotlight. Village website is advertising May 6 event; Horan's landing filled up quickly, but need to get more volunteers at other sites. Need to ask village to promote; Organization for sign up is a little scattered -- easier to have everyone sign up on River Keeper

-Cleanu Up - Anne: Great turn out -Diana L helped recruit for Valley st (~20 people); Girl Scouts session - 20 people, Anna Mayor said kids loved it.

-Trail clearing - Susanne: promoted on Volunteer NY, some people from out of town showed up and plan to come back.

-4/23 - Anne: small event at bookshop with reading by Jill Liflander, small compost chat at end

Earth Day Post mortem: next year

--Susanne: should we spread things out more? Try different types of things before Earth Day? It was a lot jammed in. Should we spread it through May? Traditionally in village, first Sat in May for planting event.

--Kiko: we should work with TEAC beforehand. When should we start planning for next year?

- maybe start dedicated committee for Earth Day for both EACs, and meet together; consider subcommittee + chair

- ask Dean/Rachel at end of summer about coordinating

-other collaboration ideas: pollinator garden plantings + rain gardens -- bring more attention to initiative by making it cross sectional

side conversation on: --Mimi from TEAC is planning many pollinator garden events in May

--Jared: Cortlandt pollinator in great shape; Barhnardt not in good shape at all (trampled); Susanne will go and see if she can do cleanup; asked Kevin for knee-high, more permanent barrier; needs something to prevent trampling

--IDEA: make a pollinator garden map; Could do a walk together later in season (summer / early fall activity)

--IDEA: make an herb-share garden; non-profit that plants fruit / nut trees with food donations

EVENTS

-River sweeps: Judy + Char all set at Horan's Landing; need to get more volunteers at other locations

-Bill put it up website; Char made flyer; (GC: get flyer from Char)

-Kiko will ask Bill for dedicated email

-CompostED - meeting w mayor end of May to find dates; hopefully visit will be before end of school year

-Compost Giveaway - confirmed with DPW - will pick up compost

-TASH manager Mary - Anne will ask about getting a booth

-If SPEAR wants to collaborate, they can come to our booth at TASH

-Use food scraps budget for compost purchase

-Need to advertise: come with your own bucket; empty your bucket, bring home compost; Kiko will ask TASH;

-how much buy? Refer to notes from Ron / Michelle convo; Maybe half to 1/3 their pile

-NEW EVENTS:

-Anne: TASH tables; TEAC tables fourth Sat; SHEAC take 2nd Sat of month

--GC will set up a list for volunteer Saturdays - ask people to sign up / split shifts

--Table will promote food scraps program; sell bins;

IDEA: collect batteries and promote where to recycle;

IDEA: terracycle - fundraiser; collect certain items (i.e. baby food pouches; toothpaste tubes; deoderant containers), send back and donate to favorite cause

-Judy: DAY of DEFIANT HOPE - June 10; 10am-4pm. Would like tabling materials before event if possible; laminated signs for table

- contact: Paula McCarthy for bins to sell

-waste reduction subcommittee - will work on running wish list of tabling items; signage; assets to make

FALL

-Food scrap collection at events; street fairs; cultural festival; PTA events

- Edith: JCC // after school programming could use education

- tap high school for volutneering at big events

SIGN UP SHEet - TASH date // June 10 -- GC will make (also share drive photos folder)

-ZERO WASTE WORKING GROUP

-Meeting 3rd Monday of each month; 11 Lawrence Avenue *[Post-Meeting Note: location has since changed to Village Hall.]*

-Kiko - schools beginning to roll out composting; JP will launch in fall - composting in cafeteria; Morse; then up through high school in three-year horizon;

-Jared: Board is interested in reducing solid waste fees; convo on metered rates on solid waste; Next step: opportunity to have convo; interest on behalf of board; Dan will revamp a document for Trustees.

-Jared: exploring options for recycling bins with lids to reduce litter

-we can contact village treasurer to learn how much are we paying for food scraps (by ton)

PLASTICS:

-Anne: - went to TEAC film viewing; we should see how we can work with Dean on initiatives

-PEDESTRIAN SAFETY WORKING GROUP

-Anne: QR code survey paused; working on revision of village complete streets policy update until end of month; get to BOT

-Jared: BOT will discuss research on why certain measures were not adopted into projects

RT 9 PROJECT:

Dan: consultants starting work Jun 1; community needs to encourage a better, safer design that doesn't focus on cars and voice priority to Governor

-Jared: Contact reps to voice opinions; SH only disadvantaged village in corridor, should get more funding

-Anne: at meeting, Assemblywoman MaryJane Shimsky said transportation was an interest area; set up appt to talk about issues