July 10, 2023

SHEAC/CSC Meeting

Location: Village Hall & Zoom

Notetaker: Rachael S.

Attendees: Kiko, Anne, Susanne, Jacob, Deb, Kirsten, Judi, Gina, Sarah, Rachael, Dave on

zoom: Dan, Maya, Char

#### Agenda/Minutes

1. Introductions

#### 2. Impact of recent storm

- a. Discussed whether people experienced flooding, mostly minimal, but heard of at least one home that others got hit hard
- b. Could a project be proposed through NY forward to deal with stormwater run-off impact?
- c. How to mitigate storm water damage?
- d. Storm water running down to Fremont pond
- Major impact on our community- Westchester DEC that the sewage is being dumped into the Hudson at Horan's Landing- stay out of the Hudson until further notice
- f. What are the other options where the sewage could be dumped with combined sewage and water systems? Tracy Brown, president of Riverkeeper and SH resident, has ideas on this we should connect with her.
- g. The sewer water should be separate from the storm water
- 3. Compost Giveback Day debrief (Kiko)
  - a. Watched video
  - b. 50 people filled out intake sheets
  - c. 24 sign ups to newsletter
  - d. 8 kits were sold
  - e. revisit for next year- RSVP that you are coming, maybe offer event during a TaSh day
  - f. highest web traffic during June for our website
  - g. do something social media wise at the event- take a photo and tag
  - h. banner down at JP
  - i. looking to hang it Morse (Rachael hanging partner)
  - i. what location would Compost giveback day be next year?
  - k. looking at doing it in April 2024
  - I. someone needs to manage the speakers
  - m. putting a sign out on the outside of the school to promote the event prior and on the day of the event

n. collaboration with TEAC- when do we next get together with TEAC? Do we meet with them to review Compost Giveback Day and plan for Earth Month? Reach out to them after the zero-waste committee meeting

#### 4. Climate Action Plan

- a. Had kick off meeting for yearlong planning process
- b. Brainstormed ideas for NY Forward projects -What are our ideas that could relate to climate work?
- c. Meeting with CAP consultant this Thursday, will share NY Forward ideas
- d. Will develop community engagement plan and community workshop
- e. Village putting in the application for safe routes to school project (David Kim TT trustee, Jared Rodriguez)

## 5. NY Forward update

- a. Application for NY forward project
- b. Revitalizing the downtown
- c. How to craft a plan to fulfill all the requirements- they are looking for large projects, something that involves a vision for changing a neighborhood
- d. Using empty lots
- e. Updating roads and sidewalks
- f. What is SHEAC's role? We need someone to sponsor our project
- g. Anne and Susanne are speaking with NY Forward consultants
- h. Kirsten followed up with Martin- some challenges matching our projects to their sites, while they are implementing it under our guidance, what projects can get CSC points and/or grants?

# i. Focal projects

- Street scaping Cortland and Valley- Anthony is taking the lead; widen the street (we can get 12 points by incorporating ebike, trees for shade, community gardens, bioswales, green roofs, green living walls, DPW greenspace, improve walkability
- ii. Is Horan's Landing included in that?
- iii. Does **Susanne** want to take this over? Lead on this?
- iv. Goals of project- climate resiliency as we develop our village
- v. Murals and façade fund- green wall option?
- vi. Sites:
  - 1. 193 beekman (retaining wall needs to be fixed) build a new building & retaining wall. 50% will be affordable housing. Should have green infrastructure included- who will be the developer of this project? The developer needs to be behind the same green infrastructure goals. Propose to the BOT from CSC standpointall new buildings need to fulfill these requirements (Kirsten). We would need to change village codes (Sarah)- potential green building code action

- 2. Salvation Army- promising site, state rep is looking to see what can be done to help
- 3. Riverwalk- LWRP- wants to put in permeable pavers
- 4. **Morse School**-new superintendent- they are thinking to renovate the school and not move it. They want to expand the green space, redesign playground, underground parking lot.
  - Sub-committee to help ensure the NY forward project will include Morse revitalization project- let's contact- Camilla, Kersten, Maggie, Gabbi (Rachael email Walley about this)
- vii. Existing Grants that can co-sponsor some of our projects: 540,00 grants for various projects
- 6. Waste Reduction Education Campaign
  - a. Waste education campaign for CSC points
  - b. Budget for a video of food scarp recycling
  - c. Can Bill get on board so that graphics are included in the news letter (Kiko) (Gina will follow up)

## 7. Local Composting Update (Anne/Kirsten):

- **a.** 2 Bins for food scrap bins at Kendell
- b. Need to expand the program
- c. Over the summer and fall there will be an education campaign
- d. Sleepy Hollow DPW is picking them up
- e. JP composting, Kendell composing, Morse up next for composting
- f. Need 4 tons to be a cost benefit for the DPW to do curbside pick-up
- g. Residential in place within a year for compost pick up
- h. DPW's biggest concern is will people put the right items in the compost bin
- 8. Reducing Light Pollution save energy/help pollinators (Jacob Weber)
  - a. Barnhart Park- lights shine on pollinator garden
  - b. LED towards the blue end of the spectrum- this is not friendly to wildlife
  - c. Police department concerned about amber lighting
  - d. Points for reducing lights- maybe use of timer or sensors
  - e. New riverwalk has good examples
- 9. Upcoming Events
  - a. TASH- second Saturday for each month
    - i. Maya- reaching out to high school students to help
- 10. Idea to award sustainable businesses (Kiko)
  - a. Inspired by Green Ossining
  - b. One way to raise up the businesses that are making the commitment to waste less

c. Kiko reaching out to Mai Mai on this as she is starting something similar in Tarrytown

## 11. Other:

- a. Doggie bags in the village should be biodegradable
- b. Morse Eco Club planted 64 native plugs this year
- c. Open meeting for NY Forward July 19th
- d. Meeting at the boathouse July 22<sup>nd</sup> about Kingsland Point Park