

Sustainable Bristol
May 19, 2020 Meeting via Zoom

Attendees: Brittany Overton, Nancy Dowey, Karen Boyd, Lauren Therriault, Janet Cavanaugh, Herb D'Arcy

Meeting called to order at 6:38

Meeting minutes from 4/21 approved motion by Herb, seconded by Karen

Nancy updated on the Selectboard meeting she attended. Spoke about what we are doing. They had hoped that recycling would be a net zero, but she informed them that that would not be the case. She'll give another report to the Selectboard in July.

Bonnie is coming June 29th to do an assessment with Mark Bucklin to tell us what we'll need. Present this information to Selectboard in July after we have recommendations from Bonnie.

Janet asked about composting near Transfer Station. She will gather maps to show Bonnie for finding space for the composting. Schedule a walk through at the Transfer Station to meet as a committee about composting. Brittany says she might want to start with business so we can get them composting as well, since it will make more compost and have to train fewer people about the ins and outs of composting. She will connect with Jamie Bemus. Figure out statistics of locals who would be likely to do this. Ask businesses to join in? 1,200 active members of the community. Keep reminding town/ residence that composting will save money.

Nancy found a composting grant she wants to apply for/look into. June 20th it's due. June 4th webinar about it. Use funds for creating a plan or an engineering study? Buying bins to give out for people to compost with?

Outreach: Lauren will send link for facebook page to members and put more things on FB and Instagram.

Bruce Dorner will do videos if we want. Reach out to him about some topics? SHare what we are doing? Abbreviated version of what she presented to the select board. Ray Courchaine video can get stuff on public access. bristolmedia@townofbristolnh.org.

Plastic Bags: All stores using plastic bags again. Hannaford in Bristol takes plastic bags..but what really happens to them? Put this on the back burner? Keep up the education. Karen said there is a bin at Walmart in Plymouth that takes plastic bags back.

Karen wants to wait to talk to restaurants about styrofoam, once things reopen. Hard when there aren't going to be happening this summer.

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Next meeting June 30th at 6:30.

Motion to adjourn by Herb and seconded by Karen at 7:21

Action Items:

Brittany: Connect with Three Sisters Farm about composting.

Lauren: Update Facebook and Instagram pages and send the link to everyone.

Nancy: Reach out to Lebanon about a pilot composting program. Ask the size of their composting space.