



## **Rye Sustainability Committee Minutes**

Monday, February 4, 2019  
City Hall, Mayor's Conference Room, 1st Floor

Call to order: 9:05AM

Present: Sara Goddard (liaison), Melissa Grieco, Linda Mackay, Gretchen Crowley, Patti Capparelli, Sue Drouin, Amy Kesavan, Kelly Smith-Powers

### **New Business**

- January minutes approved
- RSC Leadership Award given around Earth Week: categories-
  1. Youth-Girl Scouts
  2. Business-Rosemary and Vine
  3. Municipal: Ryan Coyne/DPW, Ron and Michelle (next year Rye City School District)
  4. Individual-Carolyn Cunningham (next year Bill Lawyer)
  5. Organization- Jay Heritage Center
- Zero Waste Faire – March 23, Saturday, RSC table, 11-4 (Linda)
- Balloons- selling a home/open house sign, use streamers instead: reusable, weather proof, Coldwell – ask Kate Emanuel. Lead to discussion of refusing containers, bags, etc.
- Oakland Beach Clean up- Saturday, March 9th, 9-11, RAVP to Melissa and Gretchen

### **Tree Fund (Melissa, Colleen, Annalise)**

### **Energy (Linda)**

### **Waste Reduction/Recycling/SSLS (Patti, Gretchen, Melissa, Linda)**

- Residential composting (Patti, Linda)
  - FAQ- bags break down fast
  - o Library- reconnect about Sustainability book display, as well as at Arcade books
- SSLS (Melissa, Gretchen)
  - o Say: "Please, no straw"
  - o Some restaurants not complying, spread the word: LPQ, Bare Burger, Ruby's, Town Dock

- Complying: Aurora, Red Pony, Rosemary and Vine

### **Healthy Yard Program (Amy, Sue, Jenny, Colleen)**

- Pollinator event- RNC w/ CCAC Friday 4/12
- Amy- Pollinator Pathway : connected pathway for pollinators, some CT municipalities have it, NY starting to do it, Amy will find out more
- Leaf Mulching website page: new page on RSC website/ healthy yards, links, write ups

### **Water/land**

- “No Idling Day” March 6<sup>th</sup> contingent (Sue)
  - RCDS- Kenny great help
  - RCSD- signed on
  - Awareness: proclamation with Mayor signing
  - Media coverage
  - Sign to be put in a permanent, prominent location
  - Moms bring blankets in cars for pick up at schools
  - Rye City alert: send reminder
  - Portable sign flashing
  - Not good for car or truck for oil circulation

### **Green screen (Gretchen, Melissa)**

-Thur. April 25<sup>th</sup> 2019, Rye Country Day School a gracious host, contenders: “Cowspiracy”, “Clean Bin”, “Just Eat it”

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:35am**