

August 6, 2019

The Plastic Bags and Straws Ad Hoc Committee held a special meeting on this date at Stonington Human Services at 6:00 p.m. Present were Moira Deasy, Erika Lebling, Beth Markowski-Roop, Farrah Garland, Jason Hine, Stacey Wilbur and Don Kluberdanz. Thaler Hefel, and Stephanie Hayes-Houlihan were not present.

(1) Call to Order

Ms. Deasy called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance

(3) Comments from the Public

None

(4) Approval of the Minutes

Having sent the minutes from the July 23, 2019 meeting to the committee prior to this meeting, the committee was able to review. A motion was made by Ms. Markowski-Roop, seconded Ms. Garland, and passed unanimously to accept the minutes.

(5) Correspondence

Ms. Lebling reported that several logos had been submitted as a part of the Stonington Reuses logo contest.

(6) Old Business

Presentation – Ms. Deasy Will Report on the Budget

Ms. Deasy reported that no money had been spent yet. She said she is still talking with businesses to find sponsorships.

Discussion- The Committee Will Give Updates on Outstanding Action Items

Ms. Lebling read the list of action items from the last meeting, and the committee commented on the progress of each. All were complete or in progress.

Discussion – The Committte Will Review the Logo Contest Progress

The committee reviewed the timeline of the logo contest. Ms. Garland reported that the contest would end at 5pm on Wednesday, August 7th. The designs will be posted on Facebook on Thursday. The voting will start on Saturday morning online and at the Art Festival and will end on Wednesday August 14th at noon.

Discussion – The Committee Will Prepare for the Mystic Arts Festival

Ms. Markowski-Roop gave a report of all the items and gear she was bringing for the Committee's booth at the Mystic Art Festival. She described the table set up and said she would begin set up at 7am on Saturday August 10.

Ms. Deasy reported that Big Y will attend the Art Festival at the Committee's booth to pass out reusable bags from 10am-5pm on Saturday or until they run out of bags.

Mr. Hine proposed three options for the Art Festival booth: 1.) prizes for runners up that are reusable/sustainable to showcase products that are available, 2.) forms for members of the community to write letters to the Committee for what actions they would like to see the Committee take next, 3.) a garden activity for kids. The Committee decided that the prizes could be purchased at a later date, but that the other two activities would be good additions for the booth.

The Committee came up with a schedule for manning the booth:

Saturday

7am Set Up: Ms. Markowski-Roop

10am-2pm: Mr. Kluberanz

2pm-4pm: Mr. Hine

4pm-6pm: Ms. Garland

Sunday

10am-1pm: Ms. Garland

1pm-5pm: Ms. Markowski-Roop

(7) New Business

Discussion – The Committee Will Discussion Action Items to Complete Before the Next Meeting.

The Committee concluded that the main action item before the next meeting was the logo contest voting process.

(8) Comments from the Public

None

(9) Comments from the Committee

None

(10) Adjourn



Erika Lebling
Recording Secretary