Lee Greener Gateway Committee Monday, November 18 2019, 4:00 PM - Tri-Town Health Department AGENDA

I. Call to order:

II. Roll Call:

Member:

Present

Not present

Joan Angelo

Valerie Bluhm

Linda Giancola

Ron Giancola

Peter Hofman

Phyllis Hofman

Monica Ryan

Ann Sterlin

Guests: Stephanie Blumenthal

Mary Stucklen David Stone Rob O'Brien



III. Approve Minutes: October 7, 2019

IV. Old Business

- 1. Keeping Lee clean: report on October monthly cleanup; continued brainstorming ideas to address chronic litter problems downtown. Update on The Climate Action Network Earth Day initiative and partnership agreement.
- 2. Update on other target priorities/activities
 - Zero-waste efforts: addressing restaurant food waste; report from Ann on the library's cleaning house and maximizing recycling
 - School outreach: report Mary's meeting with Tony Schifano
 - Energy: Nothing to report
 - Founders Weekend: Report from Linda on the Chamber's debrief meeting
 - Housatonic River Cleanup: Nothing to report this meeting
 - Volunteerism: Must update the flyer after additional inclusiveness meetings.
 - Plastic straws: Follow up on last month's suggestions
 - Water refilling station: Timing status update
 - Inclusiveness initiative: Peter will report on recent meetings with Reverand Neil and Father Brian
 - Tool library: Note that this could become more important if a community garden is installed
- 3. Budget and funding status: Nothing new to report
- 4. Website update: Nothing new to report
- 5. Local publicity re local issues and our activities:

V. New Business

- 1. Discussion of Earth Day 2020 Activities
- 2. Report on pesticide use in Lee
- 3. Local Environmental Action conference March 7, 2020
- 4. Green Holidays discussion of how to promote them this year
- 5. Issues around town
- 6. Updates from near and far re issues of concern
- VI. Any other topic the Chair could not reasonably anticipate