

**CEC Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2022 (Next Meeting: October 6, 2022)
October 6 meeting *may* be an in-person/Zoom hybrid meeting at Town Hall – STAY TUNED**

Attendees:

Sheila Blum	Lisa Potetz
Dan Clohossey	Joy White
Chris Files	Stuart Sessions
George Schu	

Minutes

- Dan used a PowerPoint to lead the meeting discussion including a review of FY23 team, team process and initiatives.
- The prior month meeting minutes were approved.
- Dan mentioned that there is now the option of in-person or hybrid meetings using Town Hall. Dan will do a poll to get feedback on which option people prefer for going forward.
- Forecast Tip: Stuart did Sept Composting Tip and Sally did the Oct Recycle/Reuse Tip. Chris suggested Nov tip could be about gas-powered blower ordinance and also perhaps the Town should do a survey on whether the Town should implement a 12 month ban (depending on what the County does). Based on the Sep 20 County public hearing, the most likely scenario (Dan's estimate) is that the County will pass a partial year ban with Bill 18-22 (hopefully starting in 2023) with some possible exceptions for things like people with pacemakers and certain uses plus some time phasing to allow battery blowers to reach parity with gas-powered blowers (a red herring in Dan's view but a prevalent misconception nonetheless), for example increasing restrictions over a 1-3 year period.
- Key topics discussed:
 - Rosemary Garden – Sheila and Lisa gave an update. Feedback from adjacent neighbors has been mostly negative, for various reasons. Lisa (and possibly Dan) to meet with Edamarie Mattei to get input on the proposal before Sheila, Lisa and Joy meet with neighbors. The plan is that after an in-person meeting with adjacent neighbors for dialogue and input, an updated proposal would be prepared using Edamarie's input and anything gleaned from Thornton Matheson's earlier proposal, to send to Town Council which would hopefully result in an RFP being put out. Lila Fendrick was mentioned as a Town resident who might be able to help. Sheila has already spoken with Tolbert Feather and determined that no trees need to be removed at this point, at least not from an arborist/tree health standpoint.
 - Stormwater Mgmt (SWM) Update – Main topics discussed were: 1. Corso SWM update, 2. Land Use Committee SWM ordinance review that Stuart (who is also on Land Use Committee) and Dan will participate in, 3. Windshield survey completed by Clark/Azar to find places in town to implement some Green Infrastructure, 4. Other SWM projects such as on Coquelin Run at Lynn Drive and 5. RainScapes Supplemental Rebate Program. Joy mentioned that there had been 30 Consulting Water Engineer program applications since the Rainscapes

Rebate was announced (good news!) and that the Consulting Water program has been expanded to include recommendations for how to mitigate water flowing from neighbors. Decided to schedule a circle the wagons meeting in early October for Dan, Stuart and Joy to discuss key next steps to address issues such as how to ensure ARPA funds are getting spent, status of RainScapes Supplemental Rebate Program given RainScapes being shut until Feb 1, whether to rethink the linkage with the County's RainScapes program, and how to get creative about getting more Green Infrastructure projects implemented in Town beyond the 2 pretty basic suggestions made by Clark/Azar (triangle at Ridgewood/Oak Lane and space at intersection of Leland, Maple and Oak Lane). These could include ideas for Town areas of focus (e.g. areas that have repeated problems), joint projects between neighbors or joint public/private projects. Can review the 30 Consulting Water applications and see if they tell us something about where people who are having problems are concentrated.

- Fall Town Festival Oct 15 – Dian Seidel has agreed to staff a table for us at the Fall Festival. Dan will prepare some materials to use at the table. We need to arrange for Compost Crew to participate as well.
- Trash & Treasures Oct 8-9: will include usual lineup plus Lightbulb Exchange. Household Hazardous Waste will not happen on the same weekend as T&T but will be a once a year Town event. Both Hazardous Waste and Lightbulb Exchange events have been handed off to Town staff for ongoing management.
- Community Garden – Joy will contact Betsy Hague about maybe putting her in touch with Adam, a Town resident who wanted to start a Community Garden.
- Cool Pavement – new idea that could be public space or resident property – use lighter pavement materials, not just asphalt; many communities are moving to lighter options for the cooling effect. Maybe Town could do a pilot project as a test case. We could also use this in a Forecast Tip.