

ROXBURY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 11, 2017

Attendees:

Present: Linda Alnemy, Sonja Boon, Jackie Vitiello, Bill Beckendorf, Dave Los, Tricia Fragale

Absent: Richard Vetter, Fred Hall

Public: Girl Scout Troop 224, Suzette Pasquale

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM

Matters Presented by the Public:

Girl Scout Troop 224 from St Therese presented their final results of the Garden Project

Matters Presented by Commissioners:

Earth Day activities were reviewed. REC hosted a stream clean-up on Earth Day. Twenty-seven bags of trash and recyclables were collected.

Highlands Grant- Stream Corridor Study - Princeton Hydro-Highlands Grant-Princeton Hydro advised by email that the scope of the job has changed. Jackie sent an inquiry to Rick Blood and Princeton Hydro regarding the scope change but has not received a response.

Administrative Matters:

Budget Update- The water project will cost \$1900. The electric fence will cost \$1800.

Planning Board Update- There were no updates for the planning board.

Website- The Energy Project needs to be removed from the website. The Community Garden page needs to be added to the website.

Succasunny Day- Will take place in September, REC will work on refreshing our presentation. We will revisit this at the next meeting.

Ongoing Projects:

Streams/Waterways- Stream Monitoring is scheduled for the Ledgewood Brook and Flanders Brook the last 2 weeks in June.

Community Apiary-The electric fence is scheduled for installation at the end of May.

A survey was completed at the Community Garden property and property stakes left as property markers. The neighbor is questioning the location and purpose of some of the property markers.

Community Garden- Garden meetings are underway. The April topic was "Black Gold". The May topic is "Deer Resistant Plants". Open Gate is scheduled for June 15 & 16. Water in the garden and apiary was turned on Apiary 22. Advertising for plots is still happening.

Monofilament Bins- Richard Vetter indicated potentially getting assistance of boy scouts.

Bat Boxes-Richard Vetter to put together bat box information for possible community event of building Bat boxes and press publication.

Public Outreach-Potting container-paint your own proposed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:43 PM.