

Town of Pompey
ECC Minutes 7/18/24
Live and recorded
7:05 mtg began

ATTENDEES: Adam Scalisi, Stan Gorman, Craig Dennis, Beth Aust, Paulie Drexler, Phil George, Paulie Drexler, Martha Viglietta
Absent: Kathy Bertuch, John Herrington

Approval of the April meeting minutes with no corrections.

INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME for new member Beth Aust, an RN, mom, and environmentally concerned resident.

UPDATES

*Distribution of the updated Town Employee Handbook, and the Policy Against Discrimination and Harassment. All present signed acknowledgment that they had received the Harassment policy.

*Agreement to continue schedule of meeting on first Thursday of each month.

*Discussion of Tier III solar siting review. Adam Scalisi has received a report from the ESF professor who studied the issue using GIS (Geographic information service) software with one of his classes. Our ad-hoc siting committee had asked to map the town using about 12 criteria which conform to the town's solar overlay laws. This study can help with future solar proposals by identifying parcels which meet various criteria required by the solar overlay laws. Adam will study the document and report at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

*Discussion of the loss of the town FaceBook page. No easy way now to run our contests, advertise Earth Day events, and otherwise engage with our community. Perhaps the Town can be persuaded to establish a new FB page that states clearly it is unofficial and not representative of Town policy? Phil will follow up.

*Debrief on Earth Day 2024, back in April. Suggestions for improvement:

-Date: Martha will look for a Saturday that does not conflict with either Manlius EarthFest or F-P spring break. Tentative date is April 26, 2025.

- Signs: We will add signs to the Raffle Table and the Tree table, as well as something to invite folks into the tabling room. Also make a sign describing the ECC, and have it prominently displayed on an easel.

Baby animal: Paulie will provide whether she likes it or not.

-Traffic and parking: We can arrange cones ourselves to better direct traffic, and use our own cars as "starter cars" to indicate parking rows. Put EVs in front of oxen for better visibility

-Food: Beth Aust will connect with F-P school clubs and Girl Scouts to get someone to do breakfast food as a fundraiser or community project. Failing that, M Martha and Theresa Osborn will seek food truck beginning in February.

-Kids: Beth Aust will seek F-P student or Girl Scouts to do face painting and origami at a kids' table.

*Discussion of contests and how to communicate them to residents. Suggestion made to post on town website and our personal FB pages, including Nikki's, Theresa's, and Council members, then ECC members vote using rank-order voting. Adam will refresh the pumpkin-carving flier for a Fall contest.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

Next meeting September 5, 2024

Submitted by: Martha Viglietta