



TOWN OF PEMBROKE RECYCLING and SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Thursday, December 14th, 2023 7:00pm

Pembroke Public Library
Trustees Room

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Meghan Watts (chair), Steve Curley, Kay Kopper, Evan Payne, and Charles Marshall (remotely)

Ms. Watts called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm and asked for a vote to approve the last month's meeting minutes. Mr Curley moved, Ms Kopper seconded and the remaining members voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Christmas Tree Lighting Debrief: Ms. Watts stated that we should find more ways to engage the public and perhaps something more “kid focused” (crafts, games, reindeer food alternatives) Everyone agreed that the poster boards that Ms. Kopper created were great just need to be edited to update information about Good Deeds.

Town Manager Meeting Debrief: Mr Payne stated that he was informed in a meeting with the Town Manager that there is no money in the town's budget for sustainable initiatives in particular an emissions inventory or the creation of a Climate Action Plan (CAP) however if members wanted to volunteer their time to work on it that would be acceptable. Also it was learned that the town has a surplus of solar energy. Mr Payne suggested that the committee could reach out to Hingham to get more information about their CAP and emissions inventory. Also it was stated by Mr. Curley that Pembroke has a great community solar program and Ms. Watts suggested that we should see if we can help to promote that initiative and offered to reach out to Sabrina and Angela to request more information and approval.

Terracycle: Ms. Watts stated that we are still waiting for confirmation that we can be enrolled in the hard to recycle toy drive program. Items to be collected are Leapfrog and Vtech toys. Ms. Watts will request a list of daycares and preschools in Pembroke from Town Hall to advertise the toy drive to and then the list will be divided among members to reach out to

Meeting adjourned at 7:56pm