

WHELOCK COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

DRAFT MEETING NOTES

Thursday, February 9, 2023, 3-4 pm

In Person, Town Hall

PRESENT: Tanya Brewer, Enid Ellis, Ann Lawless, Hèlène Millas, Carolyn Nolan, Linda Rhodes, Eileen Boland.

Meeting opened at 3:03 pm.

AGENDA: Tanya added a March fundraiser idea, as well as a proposal for a second, smaller little library for So. Wheelock

REVIEW: Hèlène moved to approve minutes of January 12, 2023 meeting, seconded by Linda, and voted unanimously.

CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS (new information highlighted):

Chicken Pie Fundraiser	Tanya leads on securing ingredients from White Market and preparing pies. Ann drafting a letter/form for the WM request. Reimburse Tanya for any costs. Sheffield TH kitchen suggested for baking the pies, others to help. Enid helping with posters, Eileen to promote to WCI list, FPF, FB and Wheelock News. Ordering/paying details need firming up. Future fundraiser? Carolyn has "secret recipe" for biscuits and chicken
Business Directory NEEDS VOLUNTEERS	Ann's draft form is what we will use. Eileen will check Sec. of State for list of businesses based in Wheelock. Can pdf form also be fillable?-Eileen to check.
Rte 122 Safety	Discussed steps to address solutions for excessive vehicle speeds in Wheelock Village. Possible AARP grant (\$2500 max, no match needed, 3/15 deadline) that Ann will research.
Sheffield Food Drives and Clothing Swap	Hèlène continues, Tanya stays involved WCI will continue to promote/support food drives and clothing swaps Linda is officially a member of the Food Pantry Board, and warmly welcomed, so she will keep WCI posted on future food and clothing drives
Little Library	Bradley Brewer's little library in Town Hall awaits finishing touches by Miller's Run students before placing it outdoors by Town Hall. Vanessa to check with school Tanya proposes a second smaller one by the S. Wheelock fire station; must seek permission from the fire chief, Shane Lanpher , SheffieldWheelockFire@gmail.com 802-626-8862
June Yard Sale June 10	Hèlène is willing to continue as organizer for this event; Tanya agreed to contact the "hot dog people" who operate a stand in Lyndonville if they will come and set up shop that day
Window Dressers	Ann attended local planning meeting 1/19/23 for joint StJ (Pam Parker, Energy Committee) and Lyndon (Nicole Gratton, town planner) effort. Building site in gym @ Lyndon municipal offices; Lyndon Rotary to be tapped for volunteers. Sutton program is no longer in existence.
Town Meeting Displays	Promote Window Dressers (Ann has sample); Eileen creates Broadband Project poster/easel; WCI display, NO LEAD PERSON ON THIS PROJECT Listing past and future projects suggested, encourage others to join. Eileen will print some photos for a display
Fun outside event w/ food	Needs more discussion; could be combined with other activities such as the dessert auction September Movie night discussed; indoors or out? Eileen will check with Danville about their "Movie Night on the Green (Sept. 2022), how it worked, advice on running one
Welcome Baskets	Enid continues project, stays in contact with Town Clerk for notices about new residents.
Wheelock News	Eileen continues it and "push notices" of public interest/benefit to the WCI email list.
WCI email program	Eileen has set up a Mail Chimp account; sent one email via it; more work to do
WCI website upgrade	TABLED FOR NOW
Garden at Town Hall	TABLED FOR NOW
Possibilities	Hobbies & Collections event, could be combined with other activities
DROPPING	Town Heroes – town meeting; Free Exchange; Spring Seed Swap

4:29 PM Adjourn

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 9, 3:00 pm, in person, upstairs Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Eileen Boland