

CE&STF Meeting: 10/4/16

Agenda:

1. Durham Fair Composting Project Report
2. Electric Car Charging Station update
3. Future Goals for Greening the Fair

Attendance: Susan Michael, Leslie Bulion, Sheehan Michael, Erik Francis, Ron Cappozi, Rick Hanley

Minutes:

Durham Fair Composting Project

1. Volunteers collected 4.96 tons of compostable waste (9,920 lbs)
 - We had plenty of volunteers who did a great job. New adults and new teens volunteered.
 - Leslie said she had some interested volunteers for next year. Ron proposed that she add their email addresses to our Google Doc for signups so that they would be listed for next year.
 - We reflected on morning collection routines.
 - Challenging to deliver buckets when names of vendors doesn't match map or actual stands.
 - We should provide assistance in creating a map that has names that match the actual booths.
 - Marilyn did a great job with the map and her time dedicated to the project is greatly appreciated.
 - Erik suggested that we could number the booths and record the numbers on the maps.
 - There was a pretty good match up of number of buckets and cans needed by the individual vendors necessary to carry out the collections.
 - Sue will work with Nancy Winship-Poole to contact Home Depot for another donation of 5 gallon buckets. We need 20-50 more.
 - Cleanup on Monday was efficient and went well.
 - Need to make sure that on Sunday night the rolling cans stay in the exhibit halls to collect for Monday afternoon/evening's pick up times.
 - Those present voted unanimously to purchase 5 more green composting vests.
 - Sue will ask Katie Hughes if she wants to purchase the extra BioBags. We have one unopened box of 44 gallon size bags worth \$78. Extra bags were shared with the committee since they only have a shelf life of six months. Sue will donate some to the School District.
 - At the fair's pre fair Volunteer dinner Marilyn Keurajian was called to the podium to receive the Green Circle Award Fianlist plaque from the DEEP for last year's composting project.
 - We think the Green Circle Award Plaque should be hung in different areas around Durham and Middlefield. The first location should be town hall, other sites

suggested were the public library entry, school buildings, Senior Citizen Centers, Community centers.

- Sue will bring the plaque to the November meeting so we can take a group picture with it for the paper and write up a follow-up article
 - Leslie suggested that we need multiple copies of the map made ahead of time for notes when checking in with vendors as well as checking off who was visited. We need a good master map.
 - Thom set up the Composting/Recycling display in the Discovery Center. We should check with the coordinators of the Discovery Center to see if it was well received and if we need to improve it.
 - 24 Rolling bins seemed to be just enough.
 - Paul Griese did a nice job fixing the dumper which had a slipping belt.
 - Some vendors said they compost at other fairs. It would be interesting to find out which fairs so that we could compare and maybe improve the program.
2. EV Charging Station update
- Rick Hanley reported that a 400 AMP Panel has been installed at the library so it will be ready for the installation of an EV Charging station.
 - Discussions on how to get the conduits out to the parking lot are in discussion.
 - He met with Dave Turley of the library board and they identified two parking stalls where the unit can go.
 - The charging station could plug into two cars at the same time but only charge one car at a time.
 - We are looking for a pay station such as Charge-Point. Level2 charger for 20-30 amps. A turn-key system.
3. Suggestion was made for greening the fair:
- As a committee we should address the Durham Fair Association to ask if they would consider making the fair “no Styrofoam”. We need to address them in October or November so that vendors would have time to adjust their purchases.
 - Discussion of water refilling stations and how we might approach a request for them at the fair.
 - Could start by asking to install a water refilling station in the Maintenance Shed or the Emergency Services building.
 - Erik suggested inviting the New Haven Water Authority “Water Wagon”.
 - Question was posed concerning allowing the public to compost.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.