

FLNC Meeting Minutes 04-09-14

Attendance: Mike Erdie, Sue Herrmann, Anne Demarais, Janet Kane, Linda Burroughs, Rick Dutko, Teresita Bastides-Heron, Pam Mount, Steve Groeger, John Gaskins

Minutes: Teresita noted that Noemi's last name is La Puente. Otherwise the minutes were approved as written.

Earth Hour: This was held inside due to the weather and about 20 people attended.

Summer Family Nights: Anne asked Mike to do a story telling event. He is willing but will need to check with his wife as to the best dates. Ms. Belinda Silver would be willing to do an event on composting.

Linda Burroughs can do an event but wants some feedback as to what we would be interested in. She would do her event on May 13th, which would probably be suitable for teachers and scout leaders.

Scout Projects: We are in wait mode on a number of projects. Our scout interested in building a new shed is pursuing a \$1000 grant. GEPNA, which is a 501.c.3, is willing to accept the money for the use of the FLNC. Sophie's interpretive trail project has been approved by the scout council and she is waiting to see if the Lawrence Township Community Foundation will approve her funding request.

Sustainable Lawrence Expo: Sue, Anne, and Teresita staffed the table. The event had heavy attendance and almost all the brochures were handed out.

The Meadow: Rick asked Steve Groeger if the meadow is going to be mowed and noted that there is a fallen branch on the roof. Pam pointed out that the driveway needs more gravel along much of its length.

Deck: The brick work is progressing, albeit slowly.

Mother Nature Festival: Anne asked what Teresita needs. She replied that

we still need people to help with take down and clean up. Janet and Teresita will work together on the publicity.

We will have the following tables: welcoming, Nature Center education, GEPNA, girl scouts, glass blowing, SAVE, 4-H, Mercer County Soil Conservation, Lucy Free Table, The Italian Bee, worm composting, organic curbside recycling, general recycling, bamboo, bicycle trails, Appalachian corn brooms, Plastic Bag Campaign, The Five Senses, water ambassadors from Americorp and the watershed, face painting and balloon sculptures, and the Shade Tree Advisory Commission.

The presentations will include Remarks by the Mayor, The Wild Animal show from the Philadelphia Zoo, a Shade Tree Commission movie, “How we impact our environment” by a student from The Friend’s School, Sharks by Ed Frankel, Rain Gardens by Eric Teng, Vermicompost by Belinda Silver, The Buzz about Honey and Honey Bees by Ms. Luciano, The Silent Lawn Mover by Rick Dutko, Solarman by Lyle Rawling, and one on Electric Bikes.

There will be music all day, from 11am-4pm. Notre Dame High agreed to let us use their High School parking lot. We would need some way of directing the traffic; CERT may be able to help for free. Signage may help as well. Steve noted a people to actually direct attendees appropriately.

Teresita will ask Captain Paul if he can provide the food and beverages.

Teresita’s acquaintances from Sustainable Lawrence and similar organizations will help with set up.

Steve will see if we can get the address added to the banner and have it up at the Municipal Building.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Submitted,

John Gaskins