

**VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK COMMITTEE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2021 MEETING**

Members Present: Ellen Silver (Chair), David Freeman, David Styler, Renée Crabtree, Dan Kushnick, Liam Robb O'Hagan, Debbie Sullivan, Tim Whitney, Mandy Forlenza Sticos, Christi Young

Also Present: Tom Murphy (Mayor, Village of Mamaroneck)

Member absent: Maria Karsou

The meeting was held via Zoom and called to order at 7:00 pm.

General Discussion

The minutes of the Committee's October 19th, 2021 meeting were approved.

Ellen noted that David Styler and Maria Karsou were leaving the Committee and thanked them for their many years of service. David Freeman proposed a resolution, which the Committee passed, thanking David and Maria for their years of service to the Village and to the Committee.

Ellen noted that the Fall Clean and Green/Shred Day event was very successful. This was the first fall clean up organized by the Committee and 140 volunteers participated. A number of suggestions were made to improve the effectiveness of these events in future, including having a map of the clean-up zones, having an information sheet with general instructions, possibly adding a zone behind Grove Street along the banks of the Mamaroneck River and other areas along the Sheldrake and Mamaroneck Rivers that are easily accessible. Tom noted that the Department of Works should be contacted prior to the clean up to find out which areas that need more attention.

Debbie updated the Committee on the Logo contest. The winner of the contest was Julian Rozanes, a Mamaroneck High School student who received the prize of \$250 from an anonymous donation.

Ellen noted that we launched our Instagram page in May, 2021 and we now have 136 followers. A general discussion followed relating to increasing followers and providing content.

Christie discussed a new initiative to endorse businesses that are compliant with the Village's ban on single-use straws, Styrofoam packaging and plastic bags. Christi noted that education is the first step and suggested that Robert Ingenito could produce a flyer to give out to local businesses reminding them of these bans.

Food Scrap Recycling Program

Ellen noted that ASAP, the privately run program that collects food scraps from residents for a fee, will cease operations at the end of the year. They currently serve over 100 households. Ellen noted that this would be a logical time for the Village Sanitation Department to begin curbside pickup for residents that sign up for it.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Renée Crabtree