

KEEP CHARLTON BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE 4/12/22 MEETING MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Deb Marquis, Catherine Jolicoeur, Kathleen Walker, Joe Mahaney, Celeste Mahaney

**ABSENT:** Mike Cunningham, Marisa DeJesus

Minutes from last meeting were read and unanimously approved.

**New Business:**

**Communication:**

**Keep Massachusetts Beautiful-** It was discussed that we should develop a relationship with the Garden Club toward Charlton beautification. They do tend to the Charlton Common.

Kathleen suggested that we start by getting in touch with the 2 leaders of the Garden Club and ask for 10 minutes to present about Keep Charlton Beautiful. Catherine agreed to reach out to them. The town plant sale is coming up.

**Town of Charlton website-** Discussed taking photos throughout the day during the Earth Day Festival to post on the website.

**Instagram-** Working on an online presence to reach all age groups.

**Litter Control-** Earth Day Clean-up Festival- Catherine said thus far she has 52 people signed up to clean.

**Recycling:** Kathleen mentioned that she spoke to someone who said she'd like to work on getting a town-wide yard sale together.

**Small Scale Initiative Grant:** Purchases made with this grant are: 4 bamboo buckets, 1 ceramic composter, 1 rain-collecting planter to raffle, 2 smaller planters, no-touch door opener (to give out on Earth Day), for a total of \$871 spent. In addition, we have purchased 24 plastic scrap buckets for \$125. The entire grant has now been used.

**Promotion of Charlton:** The group discussed making places like Capen Hill and Fay Mountain Farm gathering places for Charlton residents. It would show an appreciation for Charlton and would benefit us all, by making it social and welcoming to all.

**RDP:** We will talk about this at the next meeting. All members should immerse themselves in it.

**Hazardous Household Waste Day:** This was under-attended with only 24 vouchers used. How else can we use that money so we don't lose it?

Meeting adjourned at 6PM. The next meeting will be 5/10/22 at 5PM at the Senior Center.