

## **REAC December 3<sup>rd</sup> Minutes**

Present: Chris, Pete D, Pete L., Kathy, Andy, John, Kimberly

### **Approve Minutes**

Minutes were approved for October and November

### **Updates**

There is a public forum on the plastic bag ordinance on December 14th. Members of the committee will plan to attend, but we will not have an outreach campaign to get people to attend.

Kathy asked for feedback about our process toward the reusable bag ordinance.

NRCM Polar Dip - December 31st - Andy and Pete L. intend to attend the 5k and polar dip.

Home Energy Fair - January 23rd - Jeff Edelstein is coordinating 6 home energy fairs in the area. Kimberly will talk to local food sellers to see if they wanted to sell/ donate food. Opportunities for distributing information include press releases, community calendars, library and other sign boards, and newspaper/ radio ads. A press release before the event could draw people to the event.

Landfill Solar is in process, but there is a lot that is unclear. If you want to more, ask Kimberly.

There are two positions open for the committee. Please tell people who might be interested and have them visit the Falmouth appointments website. Kathy was nominated and elected as Co-Chair.

### **Energy & Sustainability Plan**

We reviewed the energy and sustainability plan. Several people gave advice on how to reorganize the charts. Kimberly will touch base with the finance person in the town for advice on how to organize charts better. There were questions about using CO2e in the second chart on page 2. We discussed the high priority recommendations and found

#### **High Priority Recommendations**

- Develop a plan for municipal energy efficiency including all city buildings
- Municipal Solar at the Landfill
- Low carbon transportation plan including biking, bus stops and EV
- REAC Outreach to residents about reducing carbon footprint in homes (bang for your buck)
- Renewable Energy Ordinance for Falmouth including wind
- Eliminating waste from food streams through local organic gardening and land care, community gardening and composting