

Hyde Park Community Collaborative Group Meeting
April 9, 2013

Hyde Park Energy Committee member, Erin Carroll spoke:

-They are a newly formed committee of 6 members and will receive their final approval at the Select Board Meeting this week.

They will meet on the Second Wednesday of each month.

The committee will help move things forward for energy conservation and efficiency and connect with community members for ways they can help.

There was discussion and questions about the Energy Committee and their role:

*do it yourself contractors so you can learn to do it yourself

*ideas for energy incentives for new businesses?

*ideas for ways to get the word about the Energy Committee out to the community

Jack Anderson reported for the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hyde Park:

A general manager has been hired for the Village and will start in May.

Trustees are considering moving the office to a bigger place.

The construction on the Depot Street sidewalk will take place this summer.

The Trustees are thinking about and problem solving: enough water for sprinkler systems in Village buildings...need a larger reservoir and pipes to get the water to the Village.

Looking forward to the report coming out from engineers who organized the 2 Town Meeting "envisioning the future" for Hyde Park Village, North Village and Garfield.

Enid Rosenblum reported for the Lamoille Co. Players

They are beginning the new season with "The Good Doctor", a Neil Simon play.

"Guys and Dolls" is the summer show and "Bye Bye Birdie" for the fall. The holiday show is "It's a Wonderful Life". The Children's Theater Workshop runs for 2 weeks in the summer and there is currently no director to run the program, so they are looking for someone.

Mike Ford reported for the Second Congregational Church

The busy Easter season is over. The Church Soup and Bread lunch went off site to Sterling View. They fed 60 people and may "adopt" Sterling View for a soup and bread lunch. They may go back to do Spring prep and clean up at Sterling View.

The Free Community Breakfast is on the first Saturday of every month 8-9:30.

Mike Ford reported for the Lamoille Prevention Campaign

Monday, April 29 2013, 6:00pm

Lamoille Prevention Campaign presents the 5th annual "Time to Talk About Youth: Alcohol, Drugs and the Brain." Featuring internationally renowned Neuroscience Specialist Michael F. Nerney. This free event will be held at the Green Mountain Tech Center in Hyde Park and will include dinner by Just Delicious Catering!

The Vermont Legislature is considering a bill decriminalizing marijuana.

Jim Heath Reported:

Monica Heath leads a bone builder's class and seated yoga at the Sterling View community center.

Laraway had 151 employees and has strong programs proving the need for Laraway in our community.

Jim is interested in starting a Genealogy Club and would like to work on a Pictorial History of Hyde Park similar to the book the Johnson Historical Society did last year.

Amy has information about this project that the Hyde Park Historical Society gave to her to pass on to Jim.

Joe Ciccolo reported for Lamoille North Supervisory Union

Sterling View has live music on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:30-9.

St. Teresa's is not re-opening and is for sale. An idea for a GMCC child care is an idea for that space.

School populations are not dwindling in Lamoille North. Many of the area school buildings are reaching their maximum capacity. The curriculum effort is in place across all of the towns who send students to Lamoille Middle School so that the students enter LUMS with similar educational backgrounds. Joe gave "kudos" to the Hyde Park Community in their efforts with the "next 100 years" project.

Heather Freeman reported for Hyde Park Partners in Education (P.I.E.)

Friday, April 12 is the Variety Show at the Opera House with 23 acts lined up.

The PIE Breakfast served 120 people and had live music. The Stowe Reporter ran an op. ed. Article about the breakfast. Leftovers went to Lamoille Co. Food Share.

The mission of PIE is to get the school into the community and the community into the school and the focus is more on community than on fundraising.

Amy Olsen reported for the Lanpher Memorial Library

The Story Walk® in February was a big success. The Congregational Church served refreshments and served as a halfway point for the walk. Plans for another Story Walk® have already started.

The Second Annual POETRY SLAM is at the Lanpher Library on April 26th at 6:00.

LUMS students and community members and poets of all ages are welcome to perform for prizes on that day. Audience members welcome!!!

The Summer Reading Program is "Dig Into Reading". There will also be young adult and adult incentive programs.

On April 22, 23 24th is a "Harry Potter" after school program at the library.

A therapy dog reading program is being planned in collaboration with HPES.

E-readers are being looked into for loan from the library.

Julie Rohleder reported on the Hyde Park Community Circle

The "Think Spring" event drew over 225 people with a puppet show, snacks, seedling planting and more. The Ice Cream Social is in July. September will be Hyde Park Home Day. The HPCC is always looking for new floats for the parade. There are new members in the HPCC which helps them get new ideas. The HPCC has donated a bench to go at the head of the Rail Trail.

Dan Regan reported: HPES

HPES has chosen an architect for the school renovation. Dore and Whittier Architects have been hired to design the Renovation and Construction project. On Monday, April 22nd at 6:30 there will be a community meeting at HPES library to meet the architects, learn more and provide input on the new facility.

The School Board, Teachers and Administration are really thinking about the next 100 years and want to deliver the kinds of changing opportunities for learning in a new century, like project based learning where the community becomes a campus.

Johnson State College:

The academic year is coming to an end, so there are lots of events: music, drama, dance, art...many of them free to the community. Community members can also go to JSC to eat in the cafeteria.

Lamoille Family Center

The Annual Meeting takes place in June with a guest speaker. It is open to the community.

An update about the Fit and Healthy Council funds mentioned at the last meeting: It looks like the Town is planning to apply the funding toward a "Pocket Park" on the lawn of the Sheriff's Department.

The next meeting will be on July 9th. People will need to RSVP for attending this meeting as last summer's meeting was not well attended. If there is low attendance through RSVP, the July meeting will be skipped.

THANK YOU!

Amy Olsen (Based on notes taken by Marie Olsen)