

**Town of Shelter Island Green Options Advisory
Committee
Minutes of the September 22, 2016 Meeting**

Members Present: Chair Tim Purtell, Don D'Amato, Quinn Karpeh, Herb Stelljes, Angela Van Rynbach + Jim Dougherty, Laury Dowd

2% Referendum

—There was a brief discussion about the upcoming referendum.

Town Energy Audit

—There was a discussion about how to proceed now that it's apparent that Johnson Controls is not interested in conducting an audit. Don suggested that we could probably come up with ideas just by examining the data. There was also a discussion about other options (PSEG + other companies).

Green Expo

—There was discussion about how the Expo can be improved. Several exhibitors suggested having a banner. There could be more involvement from the Town committees (several were not represented this year). Herb suggested some exhibitors could bring their own tables and be more involved in setting up.

—Jay Card suggested (to Tim in a separate conversation) that the tables could be arranged more in line and we should consider being part of the Craft Fair, either in a section of our own or spread throughout the Fair.

—It was also suggested we charge a fee for the outside exhibitors and we enlist school students in setting up and being involved with the Expo.

—Laury suggested bringing back school students with a recycled art project. Herb wondered if we could raise money to support a school eco/science project that could be presented at the Expo. Don asked if we could support school students as mentors.

Plastic Bags/County Fee

—Tim discussed that it wasn't clear what kinds of plastic and paper were involved with the County fee. The group also discussed how we could go forward. Quinn thought we should focus on education and BYOB and remind people of the environmental problems with plastic bags. Don asked if we could fund an inexpensive sign for the IGA. Angela mentioned Whole Foods as an example of a successful BYOB campaign. There was a discussion of other ways to remind people to BYOB (signs in stores and on car visors). It was also suggested that we could go for a ban to save people money.

New Business

—Herb asked what we should consider next. He suggested the Town could float a bond to pay for solar at the Firehouse and Library. A company called Malloy helps develop plans; interest rates are low. Quinn mentioned that the school solar project could be a model for what the Town can do.

—There was brief discussion about a replacement for Dan Fokine.