

Town of Sharon
Master Plan Steering Committee
Minutes of 8/8/18
Sharon Community Center

MPSC	
Pasqualino Pannone	Chuck Levine
Mena Mesiha	Susan Price Town Staff
Laura Smead	Signe Peterson Flieger
CivicMoxie	
Susan Silberberg (CivicMoxie)	Marshall DeGarmo (CivicMoxie)
Others	
Herbert Gould	Robert Levin
Isaiah Stessman	Samantha Foulsham
Sanjana Kota	Arnav Joshi
Dhruv Shah	

Pat tried to call Susan from CivicMoxie but was unable to reach her.

Five Sharon High School students attended from the Connected Club. They are interested in helping the MPSC.

Discussion of CivicMoxie's notes from the July meeting with Town staff.

Discussion of Focus Group / Stakeholder Interview list. It seemed as though some stakeholders were missing but CivicMoxie had been given their contact information so are probably going to contact them (i.e., Schools, Rotary Club).

Discussion of tabling at Square Jam. Those who attended thought it was a success but noted that the table should have had an email sign-up sheet. Pat said the kids didn't play with the toys or puzzles but the candy was a big hit. Susan to post photos from Pat and Laura. Pat to send Susan the comments from Square Jam attendees for CivicMoxie.

Discussion of Public Health Chapter. Susan said the MPSC received the grant from MAPC to research/write the Chapter. Signe said after the Public Health Subcommittee meets, they will send a summary update to CivicMoxie.

Laura or Pat will add the SHS students to the Dropbox.

Pat asked whether CivicMoxie would want to have a focus group of the SHS students.

Discussion of Do It Yourself (DIY) Meeting kits. Pat said the students could set up a subcommittee and could also help conduct meetings using the DIY kits. Susan said the

students may be helpful at reaching families who do not speak English as a first language.

Discussion of outreach at Back to School nights (SMS 9/12 and 9/13, Elementary Schools 9/25 and 9/26, SHS 9/27). Mena to ask the Superintendent for permission for MPSC to set up tables. Susan to send out dates to MPSC. At these events, the MPSC should have papers with a link to the DIY kits, link to survey (if it is ready), email signup paper and other info to handout quickly. Possibly follow up by having schools email the links to student families.

Susan can also post on website, Facebook and Twitter about "parlor meetings" or "family meetings" (based on DIY kits) that anyone can download and conduct. Pat said the MPSC members should commit to holding parlor meetings. Also, the Imagine Sharon email list can be contacted and the various boards and committees in Town. Chuck said to "highjack" other board, club and religious meetings around Sharon and have a DIY meeting during those forums.

Isaiah said to prime the residents at Back to School events by making them aware that the survey will be coming and about the meetings. He said to highlight facts to make the project palatable to different age groups.

Mena said the students should help come up with questions to ask other kids.

Isaiah said the Connected Club could meet with young kids (i.e., elementary) and senior citizens. Signe said to have SHS students interact with young kids (rather than having babysitting), also generational outreach (have meetings of kids with grandparents).

Laura said there could be different versions of the DIY kit. She also said we could get an item donated to raffle, and then those who have a DIY of a certain minimum number of participants can receive tickets to enter a drawing.

Susan said the SHS students could do something about Imagine Sharon at the SHS Club Fair in September. Students could create a poster or develop an interactive activity. Signe said they could combine the Club logo and the Imagine Sharon logo.

Pat said the MPSC members should review and comment on the draft survey questions by 8/19 or 8/20.

Susan to send out potential dates so MPSC can decide on date for October public meeting.

Next MPSC meetings: September 5, September 26.

Adjourned at 8:40pm.