

Daniel Sarnoff

From: Lou Young
Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2022 10:23 PM
To: Daniel Sarnoff
Cc: Committee for the Environment
Subject: Fw: Resolutions

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Below you will find what I received from CFTE Chair Ellen Silver involving a "Leave the Leaves" policy for the village.

In addition (as indicated in my previous e-mail) the CFTE is asking for the following:

*A request that two "junior" members (high school students) be appointed to the committee.

*An update on the status of the Taylor's Lane Site with an eye toward more closely monitoring its availability for Village use.

*Designation of roughly 6.5K feet known as "The Rockland Pocket" as an official village park to be named "Rockland Pocket Preserve." The area has already been groomed by committee members for this purpose.

*Approval of a gas-powered garden tool buy back program. The committee would like to collect gas powered leaf blowers, mowers and the like in exchange for \$100 certificate to be used at a local hardware outlet toward the purchase of an electric powered garden device. Inquiries have already been made. The money used would be \$5K in NYSERDA grant money that I'm told was previously awarded to the CFTE.

So that's four items under the CFTE,

Sorry for the confusion, I had expected specific language from the committee.

Best,

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Hi Lou,
Here is the wording for two resolutions approved by the CFTE that need passing by the BOT....

Leave the Leaves. Discussion focused on how to educate residents.

The committee unanimously passed the following resolution: “The CftE urges the BOT to adopt a policy to leave un-mulched leaves around trees and in flower beds to protect beneficial insects such as fireflies, and to mulch leaves on lawns to retain their nutrients, wherever practical. By doing so, the Village will lead by example and will further encourage homeowners to do the same on their properties. The Village should provide area signage about the practices to educate residents.”

A second resolution was unanimously passed: “The CftE requests the BOT to have the DPW include in their annual informational brochure to residents instructions, where possible, to leave un-mulched leaves around trees and in flower beds to protect beneficial insects such as fireflies, and to mulch leaves on lawns to retain their nutrients. Information on food waste recycling is to be included in the brochure as well.”

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