

LWNY Meeting Minutes of 7/10/2017

Attending: Rod Duckworth, Gay Peterson, Al Ahlers,
Priscilla Brobst, Steven Palmer

First Greeter:

Gay gave a summary of the work she, Emma and Curtis have done to date. It was agreed after discussion that

- a. Rod Duckworth, using the thoughts from the paper Gay submitted, would develop a more simplified or stripped down version of what a First Greeter would do when reaching out to new residents. Guidelines would be an appropriate term. This guideline would be reviewed between Gay and Rod and brought back to the full committee.
- b. Our committee will invite NY residents to become greeters. The desire to expand our volunteers beyond our current regular volunteers was regarded as important-making the community more inclusive wherever we can.
- c. The timeline for starting this program would likely be early fall. Our committees' launching of the First Greeter program would not be dependent on the completed work of the communication committee's work on the greeter bag.
- d. The resource booklet will need to be printed

There was discussion about creating a tab on the Town website indicating the First Greeter program for new residents. And Al Ahlers suggested that a once per year meeting of new residents(or I might add, any residents) to become familiar with the work of the committees might be beneficial. This annual meeting could be similar to what Cumberland has done for new residents- which was apparently very successful.

Other:

1. Our committee will need to offer a daytime meeting: subject to be the upcoming special town meeting.
2. An invitation to the minister of the NY Congregational Church might provide further insight in how our community organizations are reaching out to assist our residents.
3. Due to people being away the meeting was shortened.

Next Meeting: August 21st