



Bridgeport Food Policy Council – September 15th, 2021 –Online Zoom Meeting

Members in attendance: Jacob Robison (OPED), Briana Wahl (Green Village Initiative)

Staff in attendance: Angelica Ojeda (BFPC Coordinator)

The meeting began at 6:00 pm. Attendees introduced themselves.

Meeting Length/Direction

During the meeting it was discussed that unity pillars have a lack in providing health value to the community. This is where the Healthy Corner Store Initiative could provide residents with access to produce. Some challenges seen are the lack of commitment from the store owners, not enough corner stores participating, and the lack of produce in the stores. It is not the responsibility of the Food Policy Coordinator to stock the fridges with produce but providing partnership can help. Park City Harvest is looking for more stores to become vendors along with Blissful Awakenings.

The forum on the standard guild lines on the production of garden beds was pushed to the 30th. Harvest Fest is scheduled to take place on October 23rd from 11:00 till 5:00 with COVID safe food options. GVI could help with connecting gardeners to vendors (corner stores) to sell their produce but the logistics need to be reviewed.

Food Policy Council Coordinator Position

Continuing to perform the duties at the East Side Farmers Market, Visiting Corner Stores, and connecting with individuals to resolve the issues facing the Food Policy Council.

Food Policy Council Vacancies

There appears to be an application stand still noticed in the past and this led to discouragement from the applicants. With lack of approval the applicant would be discouraged and discontinue their role in the Food Policy Council.

Without proper approval and induction into the Food Policy Council the members cannot be held accountable.

Location of FPC Meetings

The next meeting will be... ~~December 15th @ 6:00 pm on Zoom~~

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm