

Waltham Democratic City Committee
Meeting minutes
04/20/2023
6:30-7:40

In attendance: D. Herman, C. Richardson, S. Kramer, N. Pratt, A. Fintzel, T. Carruth, C. Koutoujian, C. Gill, C. Salamanis, R. Logan, S. O'Neil, J. Norton, S. Fatale, S. Durkee, N. Stein, Z. Boughner. Guest Speaker: Anita Roy Dobbs

- 1) Anita Roy Dobbs from Gas Transition Allies explained the Future of Clean Heat Act (bill S.2105/H.3203). It requires companies to design a plan to transition from gas to all electric power. Through the bill, money for new gas pipes would be used to patch gas leaks instead. Companies must redirect to electrification by replacing gas pipes with heat pumps and networked (zonal) geothermal energy. We should support the bill by contacting our local government: Sen. Barrett, and Rep. Stanley or Rep. Lawn.
- 2) Minutes of the March 2023 meeting were approved.
- 3) \$159.27 was approved for Zoom meetings.
- 4) Heroes Brunch update: Andrew is preparing the Brunch program. We will accept ads until April 23. Tickets can be reserved up to April 22. The committee is seeking volunteers for the day of the Brunch.
- 5) Heroes Brunch expenses were approved:
\$500 - program printing
\$100 - signs
\$50 - dessert
\$300 - awards
Authorization for payment to Chateau Restaurant.
- 6) Clarence has asked for a WDCC team to represent us at the Charles River Cleanup. Meet at Shaw's on River Street at 10:00 this Saturday.
- 7) September and November poll volunteers are needed. If interested, contact the Waltham Clerk's office.
- 8) Sean Durkee, Ward 6 City Councilor, attended the meeting. Since the meeting ran out of time, the WDCC was unable to engage Sean in conversation.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Submitted by Debra Herman