

Sustainable Jersey Green Team Meeting

Aug 5th, 9:00 am

DPW conference room

Attending: Marnie Vyff - Chair, Jackie Bay, Allison Rankin, Joan Best, Janet Horst, Paul Odenwelder

Sustainable Jersey's review and comments on each of our Actions had been emailed out to all Green Team members. Marnie found eight of the Actions were in good shape leaving us 5 points short of 350 points. Out of the remaining five Actions, we had to make sure at the very least one of them would definitely pass review.

The outstanding actions and what is necessary for the Sept 14th deadline were discussed.

Creative Assets Inventory: Out - can't finish on time.

Brownfields Inventory & Prioritization: Allison will contact Todd Terhune of the Env. Commission for help with prioritization and if the Morris Ave site is still actually on the list. Then she and Marnie will get together to finish the action.

Energy Tracking and Management: Marnie will meet with Bob Tovo who is heading up this action.

Anti-Idling Education & Enforcement Program: Paul has this action in good standing. He will be ready with his team for the opening of school to send out the flier to the virtual backpack, send out the pledge via Wildwood children, have Shawn Bennett, Police Chief, write a letter of enforcement. Other ideas were suggested to use the notice board on the ML website, post the message on the Boro sign, post the message on the trailer, send a letter to the bus company. Marnie will look into if the League of Women voter's brochure can be used.

Safe Routes to School: There are 2two walk and bike to school event days planned for Sept 12th and 19th. Paul has emailed to Marnie the remaining items needed.

Innovative Community Project 2 - Waterview: Needs to prove that the municipality was involved with the action of saving the property from development. Marnie will talk to SJ to find out what can be done and discuss it with Jackie.

Innovative Community Project 3 - Wellhead Protection: Jackie will look into the status of the signed ordinance is and get it to Marnie. It was supposed to have it's 2nd reading on July 28th.

Raingardens: A meeting with Rutgers, Marnie, Joan, and Mark Prusina is scheduled for 10:30 this morning to discuss placement, plants, scheduling, etc for the two municipal rain garden possibilities.

Bicycle and or Pedestrian Audit - 5 pts: Marnie will contact Mimi who is on vacation.

Tree Maintenance Programs: Marnie will collect the necessary documentation for SJ.

Adopt a Green Purchasing Policy by Resolution - 5 pts: Marnie gave Joan a copy of the SJ resolution and will email the pdf. Joan will tailor it to Mtn Lakes needs.

Create a Policy (Grounds & Maintenance policy): Though we follow a green policy, to get it in writing may prove to be more difficult to get done before the last Council Meeting in August. Jackie will work on it before her vacation, then hand it off to Marnie.

Recycling Education & Enforcement - 5 pts: The Highschool has 4 new hallway recycling containers. Frank and Jerry Price should be contacted for the education part. Marnie will contact Mimi who is on vacation.

Waste Audit of Municipal Buildings Schools: Marnie will contact Mimi who is on vacation.

Energy Audits for one Building & School Based Energy Conservation Program: These actions should be added as Mark Prusina has had the schools audited for energy conservation. He has entered into a substantial program with Honeywell to reduce the heating, cooling, and energy use of these buildings. Marnie will look into if we can add this Action and discuss it with Mark. Mark will try to get a meeting together for himself, Bob Tovo, Frank Sanchez, and Marnie Vyff.

SJ Actions for 2017

iTree Assessment

Articles in ML Living

Aug issue with our cover story will be out in the middle of the month. The additional articles submitted could not fit in Aug but will be used in subsequent issues.

Kristen Toraro of ML Living is happy to publish an article each month to keep our actions in the news. Marnie will send in one on Anti Idling for Sept as it is relevant to the opening of school. Other articles Kristen has for publishing are: Non-Mandated recycling, School Gardens, and Water Education.

Minutes submitted by Marnie Vyff.