

MINUTES OF THE GREEN TEAM OF MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ

March 5th, 2021 10:30am

Meeting via Zoom

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Jobita Anguisaca, Janet Horst, Mimi Kaplan, Meghan Leininger, Cynthia Korman and Carol Jee

1. Welcome and overview

2. Minutes Approved

Discussion of potential points we might achieve.

- Discussed that we may not be able to obtain the 'Operations and Maintenance,' as we may not be able to pass a ordinance with the town in time. Hopeful for 2022
- Not definite on the 'Prescription Drugs' as it will be a lot of admin work
- 'Recycled Paper' we are keeping unless the timing doesn't work out.

Progress on Points

Carole: Found the movie called 'Bag It,' has bought it and donated to the library for all to rent. Could also show it at a summer movie viewing. Regarding education, we can hand out bags and materials at the plant sale May 8th. Marni has the composting bins and could possibly sell them at the Plant Sale if still available.

Jovita: Briarcliff does a pledge to keep the environment clean and Jovita asked the principal Mr. Carson to incentivize the pledge, perhaps no homework for a day or two. Perhaps the first five students could receive a no idling magnet for signing up.

Mimi: The HS, Wildwood and PPW has a stormwater awareness poster 'Only rain down the drain,' theme which will be judged by EC member with HS liaisons.

Jovita: Talk to Council and Sargeant Gill on crosswalks and biking lanes. Would be nice to have a better connection between St. Catherine's Church and the Boulevard walking path. Also need to increase the amount of anti-idling signs, but how to enforce it? Have the police involved? We need a fundraiser to raise money for the 4-6 signs needed. Mark DeSpito can order the signs and the police install them. Audrey who is in charge of Traffic & Safety might have money in her budget for signs.

Meghan: Send Arts Council Mission Statement to Green Team Members. See if Arts on the Esplanade is still happening.

Mimi: Lauren Barnett's Recycling Brochure went out and can obtain a lot of points. It will be included on the front of the website as well as in the Boro e-blast. The Fire Department will help us with the shredding days. See if the no-smoking ordinances is a state wide mission or just by municipality. If not state or county wide, it will need to be an ordinance that is approved by council. Possibly put it in the future master plan. A Girl Scout, Alison Ranken, is going to create publicity for the Living Shoreline Project.

Mimi and Jovita adjourned the meeting at 11:35am.