

Green team meeting - January 20, 2016

Present: Marnie Vyff, Mimi Kaplan, Paul Odenwelder, Danielle

We discussed the new format of some of the sustainable Jersey actions where depending on how much you do you get different amounts of points. Marnie will also tabulate and email out our standing for the 2017 application. Marnie will meet individually with members not here - Mark Prusina, Frank Sanchez and Beth Azar.

Safe Routes to school & Anti-Idling – it was suggested that a sidewalk be put in from The Fanny Road condos to the High School. There is a path through the woods behind the YMCA the children can walk.

Paul has volunteers at the high school who will complete the actions for safe Routes to school and anti-idling. Some new ideas for these actions: use seniors during senior week in June to help out with the Wildwood bike rodeo; Make a homework assignment for students and their parents to watch the anti-idling video and sign a sheet of paper pledging that they saw it.

Marnie will collect the updated action information and our 2014 submissions of safe Routes to school and anti-idling for Paul.

Rain gardens - Marnie should call Pat Rector at Rutgers about the second rain garden at Wildwood. Janet has volunteered to weed the rain garden in front of the DPW building. We should not line the garden with rocks. They inhibit mowing.

Grant - The green team will apply for a \$2000 grant to assist with Eco Weekend - the rain barrel class, the composters, and a speaker on organic lawn care. Money might be needed to replace faucets in the schools as well to low flow. We are trying to anticipate items that can cost us.

Water conservation - The Environmental Commission is very interested in promoting water conservation this year. Mimi and Marnie will look into what our ordinance says and what would be beneficial to change in the ordinance. They will also write an article about water conservation focusing on lawn and garden. Suggestions should be bullet pointed in the article.

Eco-weekend - So far events include arbor day, blood drive, shredding day, town cleanups, Rain barrel workshop, lawn care class with composters available. Mimi will manage clean up again. Ask Mark - Will trash day be bulk pick up this year or are resident still to bring junk to the municipal lot? Which weekend is everything scheduled for this year? PR and fliers need to be made in February for March distribution to the media.

Recycling - The annual recycling distribution for the town is being put together by Danielle. She will send a copy to Mimi and Marnie for any changes.

Meeting with Mark Prusina - January 29, 2016

Eco-weekend - date April 22 and 23rd. Trash day will be held at the municipal building, no bulk pick up this year. Mark would also like storm water awareness, the trout release (Trout Derby), and woods and Lakes run added to EcoWeekend.

Rain gardens –There still interest in a rain garden at Wildwood. Mark will look into it and Marnie will call Pat Rector at Rutgers.

Energy – A contract is awarded to implement our energy saving improvement plan (ESIP) that Honeywell completed. The ongoing work in retrofitting the schools are in the categories of lighting, boiler repairs, and control repairs and replacements. Overall result will be about \$90,000 savings per year. May or June repairs will be completed.

Completed items include:

- Building envelopes spray insulation in attic's
- Weather stripping all doors
- Unit ventilators in classrooms are cleaned
- Mechanical - new steam traps throughout Wildwood and Briarcliff
- Replace AC compressors with new six
- Insulation in drafty areas & around roof vents

In progress items include:

- Temperature controls in Wildwood
- Bulbs replaced with LEDs throughout
- Motor and motor controls replaced on pumps, fans, equipment motors
- “Vending misers” control electrical current during off hours on all vending machines.
- Air circulation fans in gyms

Recycling - The new Styrofoam container is a great success. Mark would like a new bin for CFLs which will cost about \$2200.00. We can ask for part of that in the grant.

Other - Big projects Mark has a on the table are Storm water management publicity, new beach facilities, and a school referendum for improvements.