Green Team Meeting

Nov 4th, 2014 at 9:00 am

Attending: Marnie Vyff Chair, Mimi Kaplan, Joan Best, Paul Odenwelder, Janet Horst, Danielle

Where we stand: We have attained the Silver Certification completely. Marnie will be attending the Luncheon in Atlantic City on Nov 18th and has invited any to accompany her. There is an extra ticket.

Next Round: Is due three years from now. We have 140 points toward it from Actions that either don't expire or expire after Dec 2017.

SJ is starting a Schools program so the schools can work independently from the Municipalities. We would however prefer the schools to work in conjunction with the Mountain Lakes Municipality Green Team.

Actions Good for Dec 2017 due date:

- Inventory & Upgrade All Buildings 50 pts Non-expiring
- Innovative Community Project 1 ERI Education Quilts 10 pts Exp. 12/2018
- Innovative Community Project 3 Wellhead Protection 10 pts Exp. 12/2019
- Raingarden 10 pts Non-expiring
- Solar 10 pts Non-expiring
- Natural Resource Inventory 20 pts Exp. 12/2021
- Tree Protection Ordinance 10 pts Non-expiring
- Create a Policy (Green Grounds Policy) 10 pts Non-expiring
- Waste Audit of Municipal Buildings Schools 10 pts Exp. 7/2019

Green Team Champions of Actions: Each member discussed and chose actions for their groups to work on for the next round. This is not a final count, just a beginning...

- Janet Horst- with the Shade Tree Commission for all tree related actions Community
 Forestry Plan and Tree Cover Goal, Tree Hazard Inventory, Tree Maintenance Programs,
 Tree Planting Programs, iTree assessment of Municipal Trees. She will also work with
 Mimi on Rainbarrels and Composting.
- Mimi Kaplan- with the Solid Waste Committee for Pay-As-You-Throw and Recycling Education & Enforcement; will also start the Backyard Composting Program and Water Conservation Education (Rainbarrels) with Janet.
- Joan Best is moving and Danielle will be taking her position in the DPW. Thank you
 Joan for all you've done!!
- Danielle- Will take over the Recycling Depot, Non-Mandated Recycling Initiative, Bulky Rigid Plastics, Grass- Cut It and Leave It Program, and parts of Recycling Education & Enforcement.

 Paul Odenwelder- with the Traffic & Safety Committee will continue with Anti Idling and Safe Routes to School.

Raingarden: Joan and Janet discussed their color choices for painting the municipal building. It should be painted this week so the raingarden can go in next week. It is primed and ready.

Clean-up Day: Marnie would like to get all the actions paper shredding, prescription take back, large object garbage drop off, etc to all happen on the same day in the spring and make it a Borough wide cleanup day. The Green Team would help publicize and add a few other actions to the day like a rainbarrel workshop and discounted composters. The 4th grade Girl Scouts are interested in helping out in some way too. Mimi and Janet will start getting the rainbarrels and composters. Marnie will talk to the organizers of the other events.

There will be no December meeting. Our next meeting will be January 6th at 9:00 am.

Respectfully submitted by Marnie Vyff