## Mountain Lakes GreenTeam Minutes

June 2, 2017 at 10:30 am DPW conference room

Present: Marnie Vyff, Mimi Kaplan, Janet Horst, Paul Odenwelder, Ryan Dunn

- 1. Comments from the Public: None
- 2. **April 2017 Minutes** are okayed with changes.
- 3. Status of application: June 4th deadline. Marnie relayed what the symbols on the list mean and that we have enough Actions done and entered to get Bronze Certification. Solid Waste, Communications Committee and Shade Tree Commission Actions are just about done. Marnie still needs a lot of info from the Champions to fill out the other Actions. Frank is on vacation and Beth Azar is in teacher conferences so their Actions will have to be updated for the September deadline. Marnie has taken off some Actions that will not be done Muni. Carbon Footprint, Prescription Drug Safety and Disposal, and Tree Hazard Inventory. She has added a few Actions that may be worked on this summer that relate to green buildings and historic preservation. Ryan will send all his material to Marnie and set up an appointment for Marnie and Mark. Marnie was just informed that the GreenTeam had won the Town Club Grant.
- 4. School Green Team update: Frank not present.
- 5. Green Team Members' Updates of Actions
  - Reusable Bags: Summer programs for pledge signing Swim Meets, Track Meets. Janet will go with Marnie to Kings to enlist their help. Mimi got an ok from the Girl Scout leader to help get pledges.
  - Materials Reuse: Janet may be able to get a Resolution from the Borough Council to endorse local private material reuse websites. Marnie will send her exactly what is needed.
  - Recycling Ed. & Compliance: EC Educ. program in the fall 2016, Solid Waste Committee has statistics on improved recycling compliance that Mimi will send Marnie.
  - Tree Hazard Inventory: Marnie will check with Consuelo to see if we have the right information for this action.
  - Water Conservation Educ.: Things to use Website, John Lester Report, Email Blasts.
  - Green Business Recognition Program: Mimi would like to pursue this one this summer. Can get list of businesses through Tri-Town Chamber and Tax office.
     Can give out award when volunteers are awarded at Christmas time. Need ok from Council for that.

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- Innovative Project #2 Invasive Species legislation: Janet will send in her latest version of the proposed resolution and list of invasives. For Garden Club, Shade Tree and Woodlands to endorse, the list needs to be agreed on. Borough lawyer will write final copy. Landscapers should be sent the list and resolution periodically.
- Anti-Idling: Paul will send in Gill's writeup and Robin Anderson's project. Paul
  will look into if we can get new signs in front of Hapgoods and the Post Office.
  Marnie will see if Clean Communities Grant can pay for them.
- Safe Routes to School: Discussion of bike racks and possible funding.
- Emergency Communications Planning: Mimi will send in info.
- Diversity on Boards and Commissions: Marnie has contacted Jenny, Head of Dem. Committee and Janet says they discussed how their slate helped represent Mtn. Lakes' demographics. League of Women Voters work with Running & Winning is great for the 50/50 male/female demographics.
- 6. Other topics: None.

Our next meeting will be July 7, 2017, 10:30am, at the DPW conference room.

Respectfully submitted by Marnie Vyff