

1. No Agenda

There is no agenda available for this meeting. Please review the minutes.

2. Minutes

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2.I. Green Team Regular Meeting (No Agenda)

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Long Branch Green Team Meeting Minutes – January 20, 2025

Call to order

- The meeting was called to order by Nan at 7:53 PM

Attendees:

- Annette Benanti, Kathy Buchan, Rich Catanese, Alicia Cauley, Phil Falcone, Gerry Lingner, Nan Simon, Faith Teitelbaum

Old Business:

- Sustainable Jersey Management / New Actions / Grant Opportunities
 - Climate Vulnerability Assessment Grant – waiting for city to let us know if awarded
- Programs & Projects:
 - Recycling:
 - Styrofoam recycling – Moved to February due to weather in January
 - Sneaker Recycling – Atlantic Ave shutdown pending
 - Trex Plastic Film Recycling – No Update
 - Recycling education – outreach to community – Harry & Annette met with Jaye Sims to begin discussing how to educate LB community on recycling; additional meetings will flesh out plan. Jaye would also like to attend a future meeting, to be scheduled
 - Textile recycling (Helpsy) – Nan still investigating
 - Park Restoration:
 - Ross Lake – Applying for tree grant from Native Plant Society
 - Jackson Woods – Tupelo tree picture now located outside Mayor's office. Experiencing issues with garbage pickup. Investigating scope of LB ordinance for eBikes. Rumson Girl Scouts to contribute new bench and new garden.
 - Trees & Green Infrastructure:
 - Rain Gardens – Pursuing opportunities to collaborate with middle school garden club. Faith did a presentation on behalf of the Rutgers Water Resources Program to a group regarding Rutgers support for us and our rain gardens and was approached about additional rain gardens; Rutgers willing to help out with this. Rutgers is working on the design.
 - Arbor Day @ Jackson Woods – Scheduled for April 27 (rain date of May 4th).
 - Tree Walk – will be similar to event held last Fall
 - Refreshments will be pursued from Green Businesses
 - Monmouth Conservation will attend with their new mobile education van
 - Other Arbor Day/Earth Month events will include education about native plants; city is taking a leadership role in developing educational events
 - Community Events:
 - HS Green Fair Table (March) – Nothing to report



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- Long Branch Day Table (September) – Nothing to report
- Arts & Education Programs:
 - Recycled Burlap Art – program under way.
 - Other educational events (film, presentation, etc. possibly with Arts Center, Senior Center or Library) – discussed above
- Green Business Recognition Program – Nothing to report

Other Reports

- NJDEP is undergoing several changes
- eBike issues are prevalent throughout the state
- Opportunity to educate community on heat pumps was discussed – Phil offered to participate.

Adjournment:

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM