



Long Branch Green Team Meeting Minutes – June 16, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 8:02 pm

Attendees: Annette Benanti, Kathy Buchan, Rich Catanese, Manju Chidambaram, Gerry Lingner, Damian Rios, Nan Simon, Faith Teitelbaum

Guests: Carol Wright (Community Garden)

Old Business:

- Community Events:
 - Long Branch Day (Sept)
 - Interactive events, both fun and educational are planned – two tables
 - ANJEC energy board game will be requested
 - Pledge wall / poster – easel, 24 x 36 poster board and markers/crayons should be available in EC closet
 - Rock painting – will use up leftover rocks from Arbor Day – materials are in EC closet – need one plastic tablecloth
 - Giveaways for prizes suggested – pens, pads
 - Informational flyers on Jackson Woods, Tree Ordinance, Ross Lake
 - Green Business Recognition Poster (including promotional materials from each business)
 - Nan to confirm date for 2025 & reach out to GBR businesses for materials
- Recycling:
 - Styrofoam recycling / September 7 & January 18 (rain dates subsequent Sunday) – Nan to run dates by DPW
 - Recycling education – outreach to community
 - Meeting with DPW either this week or next
 - Suggestions were made for information on items that residents may not know can be recycled, also discussed potential communication tools, e.g. fridge magnet
- Park Restoration:
 - Jackson Woods
 - Several events recently held – new artist creating butterfly sculpture
 - Large group (100) to be scheduled
 - Rumson book club toured park via an event sponsored by MCF
 - Pond Hawk coming to check the solar aerator
- Green Business Recognition Program
 - Whitechapel Projects recognized in June – announcement was on Mayor's Facebook page



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New Business:

- Other initiatives for 2025 / 2026 – open discussion
 - Suzan's environmental contest suggestion – 30 second YouTube videos to be done by students – will be considered for next year
 - October Tree Walk planned(1st or 2nd week), potentially including breakfast at Beach Grille

Adjournment at 8:37pm