

Green Team Committee Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

Attendees:

Valerie Beaudin

Madeleine Blake

Linda Draper

Sue Alexander

Upcoming Community Events

- May 9 – Town Council Work Session – to discuss Tree City Ordinance
- May 18 – Town Council Meeting – to vote on Tree City Ordinance
- Oct 7 - Paddle & Pickup

Bayfront Park

- No action

Pollinator Garden and 17th St. Project

- On-going maintenance of 17th street garden will be transferred to the town Landscaper. The Green Committee will continue to maintain the Pollinator Gardens.

Education and Outreach

- No action

Tree City USA

- The Town Council will be reviewing/discussing the Tree City Ordinance.
- Melanie and Sue met with Holly to discuss several outstanding issues:
 - o Ordinance and 5 year plan response
 - o Use of Tree City money to remove and replace invasives around town hall
 - o Extending pollinator garden at 17th street
 - o Plant grasses at BFP to replace landscapers dump area

Other Items

- Madeleine Blake did a ***Stellar*** job coordinating the Town Cleanup on April 22nd. 22 team members and town volunteers came out to support this effort. Fishing

Creek Trail, the marsh near Sea Gate, Kellams Field and Cox Road were given a thorough cleaning. She has volunteered to lead the effort again next year provided she has a supporting cast of team members.

- Recommendations for next year: Hang a large banner on the fence at Veterans Park to announce the event; Volunteers should formally check out at the end of the event so we can identify location of full trash bags and ensure everyone came back safely.
- Date for next cleanup – April 20, 2024
- Invasives have been removed from the Town Hall. Replacement plants are coming soon.
- Recommendation that Trash Cans be placed on the Bayside Rd bridge bumpout.
- Committee budget for 22-23 is \$6,100; Tree City Budget for Tree City is \$17,800; Committee budget for 23-24 is \$7,000.
- Future project includes updating GT website page

Next Meeting Agenda

- Pull together dates for 2024 events to insert in the Town Calendar and give NECC advance notice for advertisement/registration.
- Review Idea Bank for future projects.

This meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:10 pm

The next meeting of the Green Team Committee will be at 6:30pm on Wednesday May 24th at the Town Hall