Green Team Committee Meeting Minutes

October 03, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

Attendees:

Sue Alexander

Valerie Beaudin

Sally Bissell

Madeleine Blake

Melanie Crowder

Linda Draper

Joanie Martin

Ken Rasmussen

NEXT Meeting: Thursday, January 26th @ 6:30 in the Town Hall

Upcoming Community Events –

- Monday November 7, 4:15 Apply Leaf Grow to 17th St & Pollinator gardens
- Saturday March 4 Attack of the Invaders
- Saturday April 22 Earth Day Town Cleanup (4th Sat in April)
- Saturday June 10 End Hunger Dragon Boat races
- Saturday September 9 Taste of the Beaches
- Saturday October 7 Paddle & Pathway Pickup

Town Calendar

- Requested team events be added to the town hardcopy calendar.

Kellam's Revitalization Committee

- Greg Morris, chair, discussed the current plans and ideas regarding this area.
- The GT has offered to actively participate in the planning process and suggested the hiring of a Landscape Architect for design purposes.
- The GT would like to participate in all planting selections.

Bayfront Park

 Northside entrance project is complete. No action on the Southside until State Hwy completes their project.

Pollinator Garden and 17th St.

- Leaf Grow applied to both gardens; thanks to all the volunteers that participated.

- Watering is still an issue, the landscaper will water until the plants are established.

Education and Outreach

- Annual Green Team Community Education Program to be held at the Northeast Community Center on March 4, 2023
- Guest speaker Kerri Wixted will speak on invasives
- Kerry submitted an abstract.

Chesapeake Beach Spring Tree Inventory

- Working toward getting the CB Tree Inventory on municipal properties on Brian's schedule.
- Requested a map of town owned property, need by Brian for inventory; Holly has agreed to have the town produce the map.

Landscape RFP

- Landscape Request for Proposal (RFP) is being drafted by the Town and the GT has asked for a copy when it is ready.

Tree City USA

- Melanie, Ken, and Sue have already held an informal meeting to discuss ways to proceed with this project
- Linda had contacted other towns that are Tree City certified for information or to set up a tour but was not met with enthusiasm
- Brian Stupak with Maryland's Forest Service has been out of state but has assured Melanie that he will ask the soil conservation district to provide a letter to the town assuring the board that the maintenance of new trees planned for the boardwalk that runs to Brownie's beach will not affect the stability of the slope
- Committee discussed the difficulty of proceeding with this long-range project until the new landscape contract is completed
- Committee has estimates of the costs in time and money for the maintenance of this project and can add them to the landscape contract at any time
- Linda suggested that we invite a member of the Kellam's Field Improvement Committee to join us at a Green Team meeting to discuss how we can work collaboratively on future tree planting and beautification projects

This meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 pm

The next meeting of the Green Team Committee will be at 6:30pm on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at the Town Hall