

Green Team Meeting – January 18, 2007, 3:30 PM

In attendance:

Janice Tremblay
Angela Vincent
Robert Hallowell
Susan Allen (Oracle)
Chuck Stata
Town Planner

Rick Sawyer
Alderman Richard LaRose
Linda Alukonis
Jeanette Kotopoulos
Amy Gill

Welcome and Introductions

Angela Vincent welcomed everyone and the Team members introduced themselves. She announced the since the last meeting, Robert Hallowell was appointed to the Green Team by the Mayor.

Energy Action Plan

Angela updated the Team on the status of the action plan. The subcommittee has been working to decide on an outline for the plan. Bob Hallowell has been using software called *Mind Genius* that provides the ability to map out the areas of the City we are focusing (called 'arenas') to organize the action items and make it more interactive and easier to digest in both hardcopy and web-based formats. We anticipate a draft plan to be presented to the Green Team at the February meeting. Susan Allen mentioned that Oracle has a philanthropic program focused on environmental and education programs. If we would be interested, is there something we could submit for funding? Angela mentioned funding the printing of the action for distribution. She would follow up with Susan.

Green Team By-laws

Angela reported that the By-laws subcommittee (Scott Pollock and Ald. LaRose) have been hard at work to clean up the draft by-laws. Since the last presentation, many changes have been made concerning members, quorum, consistency with the ordinance, and financing. A new section referring to the development of a Revolving Loan Trust Fund was added. Green Team members changed two additional items:

Section VI – Finances, General: Amy Gill suggested adding a phrase stating, "Monies such as, but not limited to, grants and donations, may be received by the Green Team to be expended for purposes consistent with the goals of the Green Team."

Section VII – Structure of Committee, General: Linda Alukonis asked that the name of the division of public health and community services be corrected.

Section XII – Transaction of Business, Voting: Rick Sawyer said that the first sentence did not make sense and it was changed to, "A vote of the majority of the members of the Green Team present at the meeting shall be sufficient to decide any matters."

Rick Sawyer made a motion to approve the bylaws as amended. Janice seconded. Motion passed.

Green Team Elections

Some members had expressed interest in running for positions, but were not present. Namely, Bruce Buttrick had expressed interest in being Clerk. Janice Tremblay said that she would be willing to run for Chair, but that the Green Team should know that she is only going to be around for another year before she retires. Rick Sawyer asked if Angela wanted to be on the Executive Committee. Angela said yes. Rick nominated her as Vice Chair. The open position was Treasurer. Two names were mentioned (Bob Jeniski and Scott Pollock) as potential nominees. It was decided that Angela will discuss this with both gentlemen and that a slate will be presented at the next Green Team meeting for approval by the team.

Green Team Business Items

- Energy Fair – no date decided on yet. A subcommittee will start meeting soon consisting of Angela, Suzanne Harvey, and Susan Allen.
- Project Updates – Anti-Idling Campaign. Signs are stalled. Reapproval of funds for the second order of signs is necessary and that is anticipated to be soon. Angela mentioned that there was an anti-idling training for DPW workers in October and that a follow up training will be conducted for Solid Waste employees this year. Chuck Stata mentioned that Law Freight has an anti-idling sign from the City up at its warehouse.

Next Meeting – February 15, 2007 at 3:30pm