

Green Team Minutes Sept 20, 2007

Approved October 18, 2007

Meeting started 3:45pm

In attendance: Mary Greene, Elaine Thomas, Philip Boivin, Bruce Buttrick, Stacy Hynes, Linda Alukonis, Chuck Stata, David Greenhalgh, Linda Kipnes, Mark Sousa, John Barker, Jenn Craffey, Alex Harper, Robert Hallowell, Angela Vincent, Denis Gleeson, Debbie Gleeson, Lauren Thorpe, Sam Alpert, Zo Tobi, Janice Tremblay.

Bob Hallowell motioned to accept August minutes, seconded by Phil Boivon.

Green team website – Janice introduced the update via a Power Point presentation. Bob Hallowell provided additional details.

Any Green Team activities or notable and related events should be forwarded to Bob H or Janice for inclusion on the web site.

Visits to the Web site – 50% repeats and 50% new visits.

Change-a-Light campaign – Mary Green

Oct 3rd is the kick off day; Aubuchon Hardware will be selling C.F.L. with a \$2:00 off coupon that day only. There may be some programs ongoing at City Hall during lunch hour Oct 3. Discussion about networking the announcement and event.

Mary will try to do monthly updates.

Energy Conservation Trust Fund – Janice

Application form is complete. Requests from city departments only. \$25k available, would like to issue 2 awards of approx \$10k each. Early November would be the request and the award in Feb to March based on the recommendation from the Green Team. Would notify the successful applicant the project to start June 30 and would have one (1) year to start the payback, with a not to exceed 5-yr payback.

Executive Team - next month will be asking for a review/evaluation team, this is to define Duties of positions and estimates of time commitments for all positions as well as the Green team.

Public Outreach & Education – Denis

Schools – two schools agreed for the logo design competition. They also agreed to have subcommittees, one from North and one from South. Eight students are actively involved to date. Some items they are considering are utilizing the solar panels on South HS and more paper recycling, possibly involved with change a light campaign

Business – Alan, Suzanne, Denis, & Angie

A roundtable is being set up to provide information about green building initiatives and efforts. We will be sending out a letter in October. PSNH and Keyspan are already represented on the Green Team.

There was some discussion about the focus of the Green Team, with concern that we should stay within the charter and bylaws.

Action plan committee meeting – Janice

Meeting on Sept 26 4:00pm basically to get it finished and posted on the website for visibility.

Update on Nashua Transit – Mark Sousa

When the busses moved into their new facility on Riverside Ave, the diesel fuel blend was 95/5 Bio fuel. Nashua Transit plans to move to 80/20 Bio fuel in November.

Elaine Thomas – United Universalist Church

Gave us an update of their activities scheduled for the next two months. All are at 7:00pm - Oct 4, Oct 11, Oct 25, Nov 1 and Nov 8

Step It Up – Zo Tobi

Is planning on Nov 3 noon- 2pm at City Hall. Was looking for an endorsement from the Green Team. This is going to be a political event locally and nationally. There was much discussion about this and having the green team endorse such. John Barker made a motion “to support the event but not as an endorsement and to invite the public to participate”. Seconded by Denis Gleeson. Motion passed 9-1.

Next meeting will be October 18, 2007 at Nashua Transit, 11 Riverside Street, Nashua.

Motion to adjourn by Phil Boivin; seconded by Chuck Stata.

Adjourned at 5:25pm

Submitted by
Bruce Buttrick
Clerk