

Meeting Minutes Nashua Green Team October 18, 2007
Meeting held at Nashua Transit, 11 Riverside Street, Conference Room

Meeting Called to Order at 3:35pm

Attendance at the meeting was as follows:

Richard LaRose, Scott Pollock, Robert Hallowell, Mary Greene, Mark Sousa, Linda Alukonis, Rick laBrecque, April Torhan, Denis Gleeson, Sally Hyland, Chuck Stata, Janice Tremblay

The guests present at the meeting were introduced: Rick Labrecque, St Joseph's Hospital and April Torhan, Environmental Health Department.

Mark Sousa moved to accept the minutes of the September meeting and Robert Halloran seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

Janice Tremblay reviewed the document outlining the roles and time requirements for the positions on the board. She highlighted the new concept of Directors to head areas of effort.

Janice Tremblay stressed the need for the Position of Treasurer to be filled from the Financial Reporting Office to ensure compliance of rules and policies for the Auditors.

Specific positions and requirements were reviewed. The Secretary Position requirements of note taking, storage of minutes and communication to the City Clerk for posting were reviewed.

Robert Hallowell reviewed the hours required per month and felt the breakdown was a good. He expressed the need for a Web-Media-Communications Director. The group felt this was a positive comment and the need exists for this position.

He commented there might be an additional need for a Director from the private sector that represented business other than the not for profit group.

A discussion followed on the intent of the mission statement and should this be a city based group or an area all inclusive group.

A discussion on the role of an information and public relations officer followed. The tasks mentioned for this position included being a conduit for collection of technology to promote creativity, act as a conduit for sharing information and knowledge and interact with various political boards, including planning and Zoning.

A discussion on the Trust Fund and possible uses of the Fund followed. A goal of city wide use by private groups or residents was discussed.

The question was posed, if we change the structure of the committee, would any changes to the bylaws be required. Janice Tremblay offered to meet with the Legal Group and forward any changes to the Aldermen if required.

Janice Tremblay asked that members review the document on the positions and send any comments to her or Denis. She would put the comments into one document and send them out to the members.

Janice Tremblay asked to review the membership criteria and see if we wanted to expand the number of members on the Green Team. Planning had lost 3 members and should have representation on the team to encourage green building and development. Janice Tremblay would call Kathy Hersh to have new member appointed.

Robert Hallowell asked to review the city action plan and accomplishments. Janice Tremblay would send a document on the past actions.

A suggestion was made to partner with the Telegraph and use Channel 16 to send information on positive actions of the group.

Janice Tremblay felt there might be a need for the group to review and rewrite the bylaws based on the committee make up following the changes.

Denis Gleason offered to work with the High Schools and to provide outreach to the School Dept. and PTO groups for green efforts. He felt we should adopt an elementary school for a green program.

Mary Greene reviewed the new light initiative. They had 553 bulbs and 67 pledges at the Main Street hardware store event. She reviewed the proper disposal of the bulbs with Sally Hyland.

At 4:50pm Scott Pollock moved for adjournment and was seconded by Mark Sousa. Following adjournment, a tour of the new Nashua Transit facility was given by Mark Sousa.