

Green Team Meeting – April 19, 2007, 3:30 PM

In attendance:

Janice Tremblay
Angela Vincent
Robert Hallowell
Chuck Stata
Debbie Gleeson

Alderman Richard LaRose
Linda Alukonis
Scott Pollock
Phil Boivin
Susan Allen (Oracle)

Janice Tremblay called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

Minutes of March 15, 2007

Phil Boivin moved to approve the minutes of March 15th. Bob Hallowell seconded. Motion passed.

Green Team Executive Committee Elections - Treasurer

Ms. Tremblay announced that Angela Vincent spoke with Denis Gleeson and he is interested in the position of Treasurer. Ms. Vincent asked who would be the main contact for Denis with Green Team transactions – Lynn Thibodeau is the financial contact. Mr. Boivin moved to approve the nomination of Denis Gleeson as Treasurer. Scott Pollock seconded. Motion passed. Ms. Vincent will get in touch with Mr. Gleeson.

Meeting Time

Ms. Tremblay asked the committee again if there was a preference between the regular Green Team meetings being at 8:30am or 3:30pm. It was also mentioned that we have lost some committee members and we need to seek replacements (i.e., Rick Sawyer in Planning has left the City). It was agreed that Team members will conduct a department inventory to assess interest and availability. Ms. Vincent will spearhead that effort.

Subcommittee Reports

- **Website** – No report.
- **Energy Conservation Trust Fund** – Ms. Tremblay updated the committee regarding the scheduled presentation with the Board of Aldermen on Tuesday, April 24th at 7pm. Ms. Vincent reviewed the proposed presentation with the committee. Mr. Hallowell commented that it was too long and that we need to cut it down to keep their attention – all agreed. It was suggested to take out the slides specific to the community Trust Funds and summarize them into one. Ms. Tremblay and Ms. Vincent will work together to pare it down. Ms. Tremblay will work with IT to get the screen, projector and laptop set up for the presentation. She encouraged everyone to attend to show support.
- **Energy Fair** – Ms. Vincent reported that the Energy Fair is still on! It will be held on August 11th with the Bike Race and the first subcommittee meeting will be on May 7th at 4:15pm in Room 208. There is a great mix of City employees, Green Team members and students that work at the The Nature of Things. Ms. Vincent has been working closely with Kelly Dowling in the Mayor's Office to keep up-to-date on the Bike Race events. Ms. Tremblay asked that we include Mary Greene on the meeting notification for the Energy Fair meeting on May 7th.
- **Energy Action Plan** – nothing to report.
- **Anti-Idling Project** – Ms. Vincent made a presentation to the students at The Nature of Things on April 18th to recognize Earth Day, present the Anti-Idling signs that the students personally requested and to talk about a Green Team Logo. The students have prepared poems and posters that

can be posted on the first floor bulletin board in City Hall. Ms. Vincent will coordinate with Sally Hyland and Debbie Gleeson regarding the set up. Ms. Vincent will also ask if the Mayor can be present to see the board and thank the students.

- ***Public Education and Outreach*** – Janice stressed the importance of putting together a subcommittee to work on education and outreach. There is a lot going on right now and it is crucial that we track and publicize our achievements AND get education out to the citizens as we begin to spread the message to the rest of the City.

We should be coordinating with John Barker regarding posting a PowerPoint Presentation about the Green Team on the PEG channel. Mr. Hollowell will track down the right person for other outreach mechanisms for that channel.

We should contact the High School, Mr. Phifer in the media center, to see if they can put together a film for us. Ms. Gleeson's daughter is a film studies major at Emerson and will talk with her to see if she would be interested in working on that with us.

The Boys and Girls Club is having a competition to see how much paper they can recycle – this may be something the Green Team should get involved with.

Other Business

Ms. Vincent announced that the Nashua Regional Planning Commission has been accepted to submit a full proposal for a Healthy Communities grant from EPA. NRPC has listed the Nashua Green Team as a Project Partner due to the progress made on the Green Team program and would like to get a letter of commitment to be involved in the project. Mr. Hollowell moved to write a letter of commitment, signed by the Chair, for NRPC's Healthy Communities grant application. Mr. Boivin seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Boivin presented the second PSNH Outstanding Energy Award to the City of Nashua for our 2006 participation in their Smart Start programs. We are very excited to accept this award on the City's behalf!

Next meeting

Thursday, May 17th at 3:30pm