

CITY OF ASBURY PARK
GREEN TEAM
Meeting Tuesday, February 5, 2019 5:30 - 7pm
MINUTES

Attendees:

Green Team Members: Michele Alonso, Eileen Chapman, Roy Halfrick, Derek Minno-Bloom, Joyce Grant

Public: Kerry Butch, Nancy Fasano, Jill Potter, Ernest Mignoli, Trudy Syphax, Tara Gyorfy

Staff: Irina Gasparyan, Joanna Maziarz

Absent: Michael Capabianco, Russell Lewis, Tom Pivinski, Isaac Jones, Kayvon Paul

1. Green Team Updates

- a. Plastic bag recycling & education- Irina Gasparyan asked Green Team members to sign up again for reusable bag education with local businesses. Everyone was asked to sign up for 5 businesses. Derek Minno-Bloom will send out a Google Document again.
- b. Trex program- Irina Gasparyan Introduced the Trex plastic bag collection program.
- c. Upcoming grants/deadlines- The Green Team was informed to visit Sustainable Jersey website to see available grants.
- d. Upcoming webinars/seminars- The Green Team was informed of the NJ Sustainability Summit 2019

2. SJ action item: Diversity on boards & commissions

- a. A Survey regarding diversity on city boards and commissions is currently being designed to be sent out to those who are appointed to City boards and commissions. The Green Team will review and results will be discusses at the next meeting.

3. 2019 Green Expo

- a. 4/28 or 5/11 was discussed as possible dates, with Springwood Park, Library Square or Kennedy Park as possible locations.
- b. Ideas/changes for this year- music and more vendors/activities. A desire to switch to a park setting

- c. Ideas for partners/contributors: Surfrider, Clean Ocean Action, Clearwater Festival, Terra Cycle. All local environmental agencies. New programming shall include music, electric vehicle test drives, and more recycled art
 - d. Organization & committees- Food: Michele and Irina; Music: Eileen and Joyce; Vendors: Irina; Speakers/Education: Derek, Joyce and Kerry; Master Gardener: Roy and Activities/Kids: Trudy and Derek
4. **Public Q/A-** Kerry Butch spoke about a preliminary assessment of diversity on boards & commissions that she had conducted.

Next meeting date: March 5, 2019, 5:30 PM, City Hall-Second Floor Conference room.