

MINUTES FOR THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY MEETING  
AND GREEN TEAM MEETING

Tuesday, April 22, 2014 - 7:30 pm – Community Center

Staff liaison: Luisa Robles.

Members present: Jonathan Berard, Maggie Cahalan, Matt Dirksen, Eva Fallon, Kimberly Knox, John Lippert, Kehinde Odebo, Steve Skolnik.

Excused absences: Michael Hartman, Matt Berres, Trevor Liburd, Susan Barnett

**Call to order Green Team Meeting 7:30 pm**

1. Guest speaker Coit Hendley teaches a Research Practicum at ERHS which is an internship-like program that allows seniors to gain real-life research experience and gather authentic data. Students in this Watershed Integrated Study Program adopt 14 stream sites and use them to study local water quality issues. They produce a master's thesis style paper complete with statistics and participate in a poster symposium and science fair. SMC - Natural Resources – Watershed Stewardship – Provide Voluntary Opportunities for Citizen Engagement in Watershed Stewardship.
2. Stream sub-group progress report. SMC - Natural Resources – Watershed Stewardship – Provide Voluntary Opportunities for Citizen Engagement in Watershed Stewardship.
3. Brief history of the “Pesticide Report” - July 9, 2007 original report issued; July 10, 2007 recommendation to Council; September 30, 2009 Council Work Session – Possibility for Green Team to make a sub-group to **deal with this and the larger issue of sustainable land care policies** for the City?
4. MEA (MD Energy Administration) grant program for solar parking shade canopies with EV charging stations. The deadline for application is May 15, 2014  
<http://energy.maryland.gov/Business/cleanenergygrants/index.html#requirements>  
SMC – Energy? – Demonstration project?
5. Solar and GHI. Solar with backup for the City. SMC – Energy – Innovative Demonstration Project.
6. Pet waste sub group of the green team. Susan and Eva: update. SMC - Natural resources – Pet Waste.
7. Susan Barnett requests support from Green ACES for a petition to establish more community garden plots. At our last meeting it was established that Green ACES supports the spirit of the petition, but the group will have to draft its own letter. (This could fit under SMC – Community Based Food System – Local Food Production – Community Gardens).

Adjourn Green Team meeting: 8:45 pm

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8. How can Green ACES ensure that Council will forward pertinent issues to the group?
9. Potomac River Watershed Cleanup – April 5. Recap
10. Announcements
  - A) PW Open House/Earth Day/SHL dance performance/Plantings at Buddy Attick – April 26
  - B) Electronics Recycling – May 3
  - C) Shredding – May 3

Adjourn Green ACES meeting: 9:15 PM