



Sustainability Advisory Committee “Green Team” Meeting Minutes

A Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting was held on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 5:30 pm in Room 306 of the Government Office Building at 125 N. Division Street in Salisbury. In attendance were: Green Team members Terri Gladus, Ryan Weitzel, Kaitlyn Grigsby-Hall, Matt Heim, Charles Simms, William Knopf, Elise Trelegan and Mike Bireley; City Staff: Alyssa Massey and Amanda Pollack; members of the Public: Suzanne Ketcham (Lower Shore Land Trust), Geraldine Bell and Lisa Howard.

Discussion included:

1. Minutes from the May 1, 2019 meeting was discussed. Ryan moved to approve the minutes, Kaitlyn seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.
2. Matt Heim presented the One Water Partnership information. The Interfaith Partnership has received a grant to fund stormwater initiatives in the Wicomico River upper watershed. One of the goals is to try to start a local Watershed Stewards Academy. The formal launch and outreach will begin this fall. The Lower Shore Land Trust is in partnership of this program to provide land conservation easements. The grant also includes technical support for congregations interested in doing projects.
3. At the request of the Mayor, the Pay-as-you-throw program was discussed. Carroll County’s pilot program was successful in increasing recycling and composting. The program included residents purchasing trash bags from the County. Discussion included how to handle apartment complexes and what to do when trash is mixed in with recycling. A subcommittee of Terri, Kaitlin and Lisa was formed. The subcommittee will look into successes and failures from other jurisdictions that have implemented a Pay-as-you-throw program.
4. The updated Sustainable Maryland Green Team Action Plan was distributed. Specific goals for 2021 were discussed and included a misting station with the Wicomico River watershed, Watershed Stewards Academy, climate change focus, energy audit requirements for buildings when sold, recycling day, clothing drop off and e-cycling.
5. Upcoming Green Team events include National Night Out August 6th and Third Fridays.
6. Terri moved, Matt seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 pm.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 5:30 pm** in Room 306. Note that there will be no meeting in July.