



Sustainability Advisory Committee "Green Team" Meeting Minutes

A Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting was held in person, Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 5:30pm at the Salisbury University Entrepreneurship Center located at 212 W Main Street, Suite 205.

Members in attendance: Elise Trelegan, Mike Angelot, Noah Bressman, Charly Sager, Diallo Sessoms.

City Council Representative in attendance: Michele Gregory. City Staff in attendance: Dylan Laconich.

Discussion:

1. The Green Team toured the Entrepreneurship Center from approximately 5:30pm until 6:00pm. Bryan Bourdeau displayed the facility's amenities and explained the University's program to incubate businesses in the Salisbury community.
2. The Green Team discussed minutes from the previous meeting, January 4, 2023, Noah Bressman moved to approve the minutes, Charly seconded the motion, the vote was unanimous.
3. A discussion was then held regarding the plastic bag ban and its role out. Several questions and comments, Diallo Sessoms inquired about the use and distribution of bags with long handles, Michele Gregory commented a contact of hers knew of potential suppliers for reusable bags. A discussion regarding community centers and churches distributing bags was held, the team discussed the possibility of asking churches if they would be interested in branding bags and providing them to their community.
4. Michele Gregory informed the Green Team that a new City Council Representative may be present in their place, as Michele is currently serving in four advisory committees due to the vacancy in District 3.
5. Elise Trelegan reminded the group of their participation in the Green Team survey from the previous meeting. Elise asked about potentially starting four different subcommittees: Plastic Bag Ban Rollout Subcommittee, Certification of 20+ new Green Businesses Subcommittee, Partnership with Sustainable yards & meadows Subcommittee, Annual Fishing Derby Subcommittee, Quarterly Litter Cleanups Subcommittee, and a Reinvigorate Recycling Subcommittee.



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6. Noah Bressman discussed the University system of Maryland recycling campaign community effort, and the City's potential involvement. Michele Gregory mentioned the present staffing issues in solid waste, vacancies in budgeted positions. Which led to minor discussions regarding how these vacancies could be filled, which will be important for the residents to have faith in local recycling.
7. Elise Trelegan confirmed the leadership assignments of the subcommittees: The Plastic Bag Rollout Subcommittee was assigned to Elise (herself), the Certification of 20+ Green Businesses Subcommittee was assigned to Dylan Laconich, the Partnership with Sustainable Yards & Meadows Subcommittee was assigned to Charly Sager, the Annual Fishing Derby Subcommittee was assigned to Noah Bressman, the Quarterly Litter Cleanups Subcommittee was assigned to Mike, the Reinvigorate Recycling Subcommittee was not established as concerns regarding the proper order of progress were raised.
8. Diallo Sessoms moved to adjourn the meeting, Mike seconded, the vote was unanimous to adjourn at 6:45pm.

The next meeting is scheduled to be Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 5:30pm.