

Green Team September 2024 Minutes

12:01 meeting called to order

In attendance: Quenton King, Robin Sylvester, Patti Hamilton, Linda Frame, Andrew Earley

Via Zoom: Rowan Zoeller, Stephanie Hysmith, Emmett Pepper

Consider and accept August minutes – Patti moved, Linda seconded, Unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Morgan King and Corey Zinn here to discuss Air monitoring on municipal / community center buildings. Purple Air is a website calculator that reads air monitors placed on municipal buildings within the city. The cost is around \$300, but can be gotten for free using small grants. The monitors last about 5 years. Ten are up around the valley with 4 more expected soon. There are 30 along the Ohio River. The monitors cost less than one cent of electricity per month. There is one on the LaBelle Theater in South Charleston. One on a municipal building in Glasgow. Create WV would like to look at putting these on our City Municipal Buildings starting perhaps with North Charleston Community Center. At most of these centers, the monitors can use the public WiFi.
2. Ohio River Valley Institute Meet & Greet Nov 13 at J.Q. Dickinson – Robin offered to go to represent GT

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Green Team vacancy – still open as Andrew has moved to Robin's Ward (2 person limit)
2. Advisory Committee Appt – Sam Nygaard is interested. Bio sent via email. Slate to approve both Sam & Nancy Bruns. Both unanimously approved as new Advisory Committee Members.
3. Strategic Plan Implementation – ad hoc bylaws committee to nominate & approve advisory members, how we create standing committees, GT committee to review ordinances, ACTION ITEMS: things that need to be done before the next meeting, codify process how Chair reports to Council (to Nikki for distribution) – Quenton will prepare the cover letter to be submitted
4. Rowan talked to city employees & Slack Plaza bins. The trash & recycling cans contain the same refuse. She is going to visit Rumpke in OH & can report back on what they are doing for Cabell Co.
5. Emmett Pepper – latest info on landfill, rates have been submitted for recycling & transfer station; higher than they've been for trash for the transfer station; same exact cost as what is being paid to drive our recycling to Beckley. Citizen Action Group requested to keep the "free day" at the landfill. Kanawha Co Solid Waste Authority gets .50 a ton and have requested an additional \$.50 after the transfer station opens.

NEXT MEETING – DISCUSSION OF SHORT-TERM GOALS IN THE STRATEGIC PLAN (Oct. 16)

PODA – reusable cups are able to be used under the health codes; talk to local restaurants what would work best for them.

STUFF – Patti brought 2 newspaper columns that address "too much stuff" and would like to look into getting assistance from UC students or another venue to make the info easier to disperse.

COMMS – lots of texting back & forth; meeting will be set up before next GT meeting.

EECBG – haven't received the funds yet but looking forward to it very soon / no new information really.

Motion to adjourn 1:26 by Patti, 2nd by Linda