TOWNSHIP OF MEDFORD

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EAAC) & GREEN TEAM MEETING MINUTES

MEETING AGENDA

**TUESDAY, March 8, 2022– 7:00 pm**

**MEDFORD TOWN HALL, 49 UNION STREET**

1. ***Roll Call***

***Present:*** Pola Galie, Pamela Sloves, Jen Warholak, Bo Petrillo, Robert Lee, Ileen Wright, Eric Peterson, Michele Mayer

***Council Liason:*** Mayor Chuck Watson, Lauren Kochan

1. ***Review/approve minutes of February 2021***

* Minutes approved

III. **Public Comments** (limited to 5 minutes per person) (No public present)

## VI. Old Business

* ROSI – No Update
* NJ Future – No changes. Communities around Rancocas from Rancocas priority project. Blue acres subsidizes flood grants and dams.
* Plastic Bag Ban – Keep educating the public.
* Community Composting Project – Talk to WCM and garden club.

We also have a new contact for leaf recycling – previous farms are full. Residents are home and raking more and more leaves, we had a very long pickup this year. Need more education distributed late summer – early fall – re-use Bo’s article on leaves. Include HOA leaders in educational program – leaves and rain gardens

## Next Round of Sustainable NJ Certification Planning – in progress. June 1st round to turn in. September to December. Satisfied with bronze level.

* Complete Streets Grant Application Update (Monitor) - no update. Discussion on reconstructing bridge on Jackson.

## Green Team Planning

## Trex Project Update – bags dropped off at Voorhees ACME. Pola has bench which needs assembly. 500 lbs. of plastic and 6 months of collecting to make a bench. Dr. Still meditation center is where the first bench resides. Education is for second bench in 2 months.

## Farm Market Update – participants are contacting us and are interested in summer 2022. Begins June through October, the 2nd and 4th Saturday every month.

## Other Grant Applications/Projects

* + EV Charging Stations (ongoing search).
  + PSEG Grant - no update-submitted for $20k for Master plan element on climate change resilency
* Subcommittee Report on Oak/Acorn Potential Project – in progress. Looking to find a good place. Bo mentioned reaching out to the rotaries for help.
* Hartford Crossing Trails Maintenance (2022) – no update
* Tree recovery project-need bare root trees
* Tree city-DOT grant
* Rain garden-Dr. Still park and Cow Point to Tomlinson Park. 3rd a possibility.

1. ***New Business***

## 2022 Arbor Day acknowledgement –April 30 at 8:00AM. Sunrise rotary sponsored multi year event-5 yr. Volunteers needed to check on trees. Bo motioned. Bob seconded motion. Granted. Michele registered a butterfly garden. Pick up seedling for legacy tree from a 500 yr-old oak tree. State made sapling. ANJEC money for project ideas like trail maintenance. Clean communities grant money discussed.

## Planning & Zoning Considerations –Save the trees motion. Eric 1st. Bo seconded motion

***IX. Next meeting -- April 12, 2022***

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# X. Adjournment