

## Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes from April 11, 2018

Attendees: Cindy Unangst, Ann Payne, Jamie Moore, Joyce Tuten, Rick Dietrick, Mark Carney, Doug Martin, Hailey Tosh, Ryan Hong, Chris Goodman

1. March minutes approved

2. Next meetings will be May 16 (5 to 6:30 pm)

3. Green Expo:

a. Cindy went over map with location of exhibitors

b. Schedule:

10 am – opening speech by Burgess Miller, devotional by Pastor Sarah Dorrance

10:15 am – Green Talks begin: 5 speakers (Ron with electric vehicles, Master Gardner Ellen West, 3 solar companies). 20 minutes per presentation, 5 minute transition between speakers

11:15 am – tree planting (Sweet Bay Magnolia from Stadler’s Nursery)

1:45 pm– raffles and Green Awards

c. All exhibitors will be given certificates of appreciation

d. LDS will have \$4.99 BBQ special meal during the Green Expo, Lions Club will have ice cream for sale.

e. Green Awards – awards will be given to boy scouts in appreciation of tree planting, Grand Award, Natural Lawn award, and Best Recruiting Nature award. Pictures of winning properties will be displayed on the Sustainability Committee’s Facebook page, Frederick News Post may do an article about the Green Awards

f. Green Team table will have informational materials and raffle for rain barrel and hanging baskets

g. Signage – Lauren and Cindy will work on this on Friday afternoon

h. Citizen did good article last Thursday about Green Expo

i. arrive at 8:30 to 9 am if possible on Saturday to help set up

4. Next Green Talk will be May 19—Historic Preservation and Sustainability walking tour starting at Municipal Center at 11 am.

5. Pollinator meadow – Cindy met Dr. Tangren and Empire Landscapes contractor at meadow last week. Planting wild rye oats and wildflower plugs will occur in the near future.
6. MEA Energy Action Grant – last week Cindy received email requesting a phone conversation, but has not heard any more
7. Blue tubes gone from around trees in Glenbrook!
8. Buffer in a Bag program (DNR and Potomac watershed partnership)— 25 bare root trees and shrubs suitable for waterside environment, Burgess Miller has picked them up. Plan to plant them near stormwater management facility at North Pointe.
9. We were awarded Bronze Award by the PLANT program for tree planting event at Green Expo!
10. Ann agreed to attend kick-off meeting on April 19 at Foxhaven farm for new initiative for local food systems.
11. Lauren emailed Cindy, she is in process of planning Middletown High School Earth Week (April 16, daily activities—games during lunch with prizes, sustainability committee help?), planning MHS garden, have plots to rent out for community members? Consider starting pollinator meadow or joining citizen scientist project (such as Bumblebeewatch or Great Sunflower Project).