

September Sustainability Committee meeting: September 17, 2019
Meeting minutes

Attendees: Cindy Unangst, Joyce Tuten, Jamie Moore, Ann Payne, Doug Martin, Rick Detrick, Mark Carney

1. August meeting minutes approved
2. Green Expo
Date for next year – April 25th. We will partner with Coloring the Street event again, on Green Street. Cindy sent out a save-the-date email to past exhibitors.
2. 2019 Green Lecture Series
 - a. September — Importance of Bees— Lindsay Barranco (UMD) — C. Burr Artz Library Thursday, Sept. 26 — 6:30pm
 - b. October — Little Catocin Highland Glades — Deborah Barber (Nature Conservancy) — C. Burr Artz Library Thursday, Oct. 24th — 6:00pm
 - c. In conjunction with FCPL and their 2019 MD One Book book of the year entitled "What the Eyes Don't See." Drew will lead a tour of the East Wastewater Treatment Plant on Saturday, October 26th at 11:00 am.
3. Sustainable Maryland Certified re-application — We will be recertified! (this is confidential at this time).
4. Municipal Carbon Footprint inventory (Cindy)
5. Maryland Urban Community Forestry Committee grant award (\$1000)! — tree planting to take place on Friday, Nov. 8th (Cindy), no school that day, will reach out to scouts and Middletown Valley Ministerium for help.
6. Tree canopy assessment and goal discussion (Cindy)
7. No-Idle zones at schools (Ann)
8. Composting program for Middletown Elementary School (Cindy, Mark) – plan to start this January, Green Club (5th graders) at MES will help initiate this, looking into potential grants from town and rotary club, Rotarians also can help with initiation of the program.
9. MEA solar panel project (Cindy) – will be installed on 9/18/19!
10. Streetlight buy-back program (Cindy and Mark) – will try to get informational presentation to this committee to gather more information
11. Pollinator meadow at solar array (Mark)

12. Heritage Festival — Sustainability Committee table with Town Board -
Saturday, September 28th
13. October meeting date — third Tuesday — October 15th