

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2017

Attendees: Cindy Unangst, Jamie Moore, Rick Detrick, Joyce Tuten

1. Meeting minutes from November were approved
2. Green Expo
 - a. Date for next year – consider changing to April 14 in order not to conflict with Catoctin Creek Nature Fest, start planning date for 2019 (FCPS break April 18-22, Boonsboro Green event usually in May, Catoctin Creek Nature Fest date?)
 - b. E-end news – can use town truck instead
 - c. Green awards – nomination form will be mailed with January water bill. Prizes?
3. 2018 Year of Sustainability workshops – Green Talks – draft updated, will be mailed with January water bill.
4. Pollinator meadow update – Dr. Tangren contacted Cindy about possibility of contractor to do demo strip at no cost to the town.
5. MEA Energy Action Plan and baseline data – data was received in spreadsheet. Action plan needs to be approved by town board by January 14.
6. FRO easements (Cindy) – some residents are using FRO easements, Cindy recommends inspection and education.
7. SMC Leadership Training – Cindy attended, overview of climate change, examples of impact include flooding in Ellicott City and Houston, lengthening of mosquito season.
8. PLANT program (DNR) – Cindy will look into this program, applications are due 1/31/2018.
9. Compost grant funding -- Middletown was disqualified due to per capita income exceeding the limit. Possibility of starting a composting program on our own.
10. January meeting date: Wednesday the 17th.