

Green Team Meeting July 1st, 2010

Attendance: Chris Van Dyke, John Barnes, Trevor Lloyd, Bill Wonderlin, Nate Askins, Evan Hansen, Chris Haddox, Don Spencer, Rich Dennis, Max Reinke

Meeting began at 4:03 PM.

Item 1. Minutes of the June 3rd Green Team meeting were approved without change.

Item 2. City Report. Trevor Lloyd informed the team that REAP grant for an Asphalt recycler had been submitted. He is optimistic that it will be granted, and expects to receive word in January, 2011.

Energy company, Pristine Sun LLC, has approached the city with a proposal to install a Photovoltaic panel array on a city building's roof (no specific building yet). Pristine Sun would own, operate and maintain the "Embedded Energy SystemTM" for a 20-year term. Morgantown pays 80% of electricity bill, 20% goes to solar company. Rate is fixed for 20 years. Represents little economic savings, but is environmentally beneficial. Trevor is seeking input from the Green Team.

Update: see Trevor's July 6th email to the Green Team Google Group for further, updated information.

Item 2. IEBG. GreenFest (Name negotiable). Max Reinke informed us that the weekend of September 11th is free at the library. This weekend is advantageous because there is not a home WVU football game.

The team asked for more options on dates, and were concerned with the nearness of this date. Max said he would investigate the availability in October. It was generally agreed that the "GreenFest" was a good idea, that Focus would be to demonstrate what Morgantown is doing, but also have the Morgantown government hear their concerns. The office of Sustainability will be asked to participate.

Update: The Office of Sustainability has agreed to participate.

Max's Position is resigning his position as Marketing and Communications Intern for the Green Team/It's Easy Being Green effective July 30th. Trevor Lloyd said he would speak with Dan Boroff to talk about a replacement for Max.

Update: The city will fund a replacement for Max. The position would terminate December 31st, 2010.

"Garden Gourmet" composter logistics have been determined. The Solid Waste Authority has agreed to receive them. Trevor said he would investigate the possibility of the city subsidizing the shipping costs.

Update: The city will subsidize the \$576.00 of shipping costs for the composters provided that they are pre-sold.

Item 3. Don Spencer reported that the negotiations with Allegheny Energy concerning street lights with are still open. Dan Boroff reported that the Green Team is welcome to participate in this process.

Item 4. Trevor reported that approximately 12 LED streetlights are being installed on grant avenue in Sunnyside.

Item 5. Energy Committee. Trevor is going go to discuss with Dan Boroff the city's involvement in pursuing the ARC Grant. This \$75,000 grant is designated to help communities prepare an energy plan or to assist implementation of an energy plan. Trevor will set up meeting with Jeff _____ and Evan Hansen. Evan Hansen has much experience with these sorts of grants, and is working on a similar proposal with Alderson, WV currently in his function as President of Downstream Strategies

Motioned to recommend that Morgantown city assess the benefit of the city implementing an energy plan through this ARC grant. Motion approved by verbal vote. No abstainers.

Item 6. Old Business. The idea of assembling a "Green Directory" of businesses was brought up; Ryan Hess still looking into it

Item 7. Other Business. Sustainable Community Development Grant is a HUD grant that Chris Fletcher is pursuing for the city. The grant is fund a comprehensive approach towards developing a city and county plan for sustainability for the community. Chris Haddox will be investigating how the Green can become involved in that process.

Next meeting is on August 5th, 2010 at 4:00 PM in the basement of the Public Library.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.