

Morgantown Municipal Green Team Meeting: June 6, 2013

Participants: Pam Cubberly, Daniel Jencks, Tim Terman, Fran Jones, Jim Kotcon, Jenny Selin, Chris Haddox, Steve Woodruff, Aaron Sutch, Trevor Lloyd, Caroline Keicher

Meeting Called to order at 5:30 PM by Co-Chair Aaron Sutch

No items of business from last meetings.

Introductions: We welcomed some new faces including Councilperson Jenny Selin, Daniel Jencks and Fran Jones from the WVU Community Design Team and Captain Tim Terman. We are excited to have you guys come aboard and look forward to working with you to make Morgantown a greener community!

- Chris Haddox gave a brief background of the Green Team mission and leadership history to new participants
- Woodburn update: Now that the property has been secured by the City, the next step is to actively engage community and look for tenants. Steps have been taken to curb minor incidents of vandalism
- Energy: As noted in previous GT emails, City Council passed a resolution “expressing concern” over the Harrison Power Plant transfer. Jim Kotcon and the Green Team worked hard to pass a resolution with stronger language explicitly opposing the transfer but it did not pass a council vote.
 - It was agreed that this process has been a valuable learning experience in promoting future energy efficiency initiatives on the City level.
- Publicity and Networking: The Green Morgantown Facebook page has been successful in reaching in out to over 115 members. It’s connecting a growing network of local residents interested in going green. Join if you haven’t already! Pam Cubberly and Susan Sullivan should be recognized for all of their hard work in making the FB page a reality. It has been an unqualified success.
 - The GT is considering options to host or sponsor green networking/social events to further reach out to prospective GT members and organize and support specific interests. A proposed event is planned for June 27 on either Mountain State or Oliverios patios. Stay tuned for more details
 - Be sure to visit the [City of Morgantown Green Website](#). Starting June 14, Trevor Lloyd will be able to instantly update the site to include links to GT meeting minutes and other applicable information
- Mon River Cleanups with Captain Tim Terman: Although the boat ride planned for the evening had to be cancelled due to weather, Captain Terman spoke about his passion for cleaning

up the Mon. After giving a brief history of the Mon's water quality, he spoke of his passion for the river leading to his current campaign of water cleanups. Besides his river cleanups he is working on a petition to clean up litter that collects at the Opekiska Lock. You can sign the petition by going to: <https://www.causes.com/cleanmonriver> You can also follow [his blog](#) which gives you updated information on river cleanups and other activities to benefit the Mon River. There will be a June 13 at the Fondue Factory- See [the blog](#) for details.

- Greenhouse Gas Inventory: A grant from [Appalachian Stewardship Foundation](#) has been awarded to Downstream Strategies to conduct a full Greenhouse Gas inventory of the City of Morgantown. The inventory will take approximately one year and will measure and quantify data related to the City's greenhouse Gas footprint. It was agreed that this will provide the city an excellent tool for which to make future decisions regarding action around climate change.
- Green Night at the Library: We are looking at fall programming to consist of tree selection and pruning, natural products, home garden resource fair, rain barrel/composting and possible themes around energy including home weatherization for efficiency, hands on solar etc. Contact Pam Cubberly with ideas and the contacts and resources to make them happen.

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