HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN TEAM

September 13, 2018 at Hopewell Township Mun. Bldg Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Joann Held, Scott Fulmer, Carol Meyer, Heidi Wilenius

NEW LOGO

~ Roll Out at Harvest Fair? Joann to see if t-shirts can be made - very tight time frame

STYROFOAM COLLECTION & PAPER SHREDDING - held in front of Toll Gate Grammar

- ~ Staffing Volunteers in place,
- ~ Truck 20' UHaul rental pick up on Fri. and return truck after drop-off Sat. evening.
- ~ Handouts copies will be made and distributed

HOPEWELL HARVEST FAIR -

- ~ Staffing Joann to put out a call for more volunteers, Scott and Margret to set up
- ~ Buy Recycled items gathered that were made from recycled materials
- ~ Reuse

Heidi highlighted the organization of the HHF, gave us the program booklet, and discussed the need for volunteers at the water bottle filling station, and the garbage dumpster. Links to running a zero waste event discussed as well as tips to greening your event (see page 2 of these meeting minutes).

WEBSITE UPDATES - Scott will incorporate the new logo in the website and work with Joann on some updates

OTHER

- ~ Hopewell Township Flu Clinics
- ~ Plugging in an Electric Car
- ~ Other Energy Issues
- ~ Pennington Env Commission "No Plastic Bags in Recycling" Campaign
- ~ Stuff the Truck Event possible Spring 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 15: Styrofoam & Shredding at Tollgate Grammar School 12-3
- Sept 22: Hopewell Harvest Fair 10-4
- Sept 29: Recycling Collection at Pennington Farmers Market 9-1
- Oct 2 & 3: Hopewell Township Flu Clinics green team to talk with people waiting for flu shots
 - Oct 2, 9-10:30am, Hopewell Valley Senior Center
 - Oct 2, 11:30-1, Pennington Point Community Center
 - Oct 3, 10:30-12, Wellington Manor Community Center
 - Oct 3, 1:30-2:30, Hopewell Gardens Community Room

NEXT MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 11, 2018 - PENNINGTON BORO HALL

Spotlight: What NJ towns are doing Maplewood

In addition to educating the community about climate change and ways that residents can help to implement Maplewood's Environmental Action plan, the town hosts a fair that reflects responsible environmental practices, such as carbon-neutrality, zero waste plans, alternative transportation for the event, and green vendors. Event activities have included test-driving hybrid and clean diesel vehicles, environmental games and crafts, workshops on composting, energy efficiency, and low-impact landscaping, an organic local food cooking demonstration, and bicycle safety training class. A solar powered trailer was even used to provide electricity for the event.

Resources

Carbon Offset Calculator

http://www.terrapass.com/event-carbon-calculator/

University of North Carolina Green Events

http://facilities.unc.edu/operations/building-services/waste-reduction/campus-recycling/greenevents/

EPA Green Meetings

https://www.epa.gov/p2/green-meetings

EPA It's Easy Being Green! A Guide to Planning and Conducting Environmentally Aware Meetings and Events.

http://www.epa.gov/osw/wycd/grn-mtgs/gm-bklt.pdf

Green Event Planning Guide

http://eab.as.ucsb.edu/files/2012/04/ucsb_sustainabilityguide.pdf

The Icarus Foundation Green Events Planning

http://ecoclub.com/library/epapers/15.pdf

United Nations Development Program: Guidelines for Event Greening

http://www.energyandenvironment.undp.org/undp/index.cfm?

DocumentID=5185&module=Library&page=Document

Sustainable Communities Network's "How to Plan a Sustainable Event" guide

http://www.sustainable.org/information/susevent.html

Sustainable Travel International Green Events

http://sustainabletravel.org/get-involved/

Zero Waste Events

http://www.ecocycle.org/zerowaste/aroundtheworld