

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN TEAM

February 11, 2021 via Zoom Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Joann Held, Scott Fulmer, Rex Parker, Margret van Vuuren, Lynne Croucher, Carol Meyer, Erica Johanson, Beatrice Gooding

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

- Styrofoam Collection Review - Gary to pickup on Sat. 2/13 at Joann's house. New model to collect Styrofoam at HTPW (contact Courtney Peters Manning), then have Gary pick it up. Another idea is to have Gary use his own truck to pick up mid-way thru collection. As a GT we need to bring awareness to the municipal reps to step up with this collection. Rex to set up a meeting with Courtney and Joann for future use of HTPW bay. Ideal to have a portable densifier on the spot!
- Scott, and Margret worked hard to expand recycling info on the website.
- Sponsor for each waste stream so it all does not end up in Joann's garage.
- Join Erica at East Amwell Recycling

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN WEEK (April 18-24) a week of activities!

& MERCER COUNTY GREENING TOGETHER (April 24-30) well publicized

- Outdoor Event on April 24? Idea to give out Family Kits ex. scavenger hunt, bike routes, water testing kit, packets of seeds, info on county forums. Give out at Kunkel Park and Woolsey Park or Hopewell Gazebo on 4/24. Put in a reusable bag.
- Evening Zero Waste Virtual Event on April 26, 28 or 29? Home waste audit.
- Topics for other Greening Together Evenings
Water, Energy, Plants, Walking & Biking, Art
- GT subcommittee to plan some of these activities (Margret, Lynne, Scott, Carol, Rex)

WEBSITE (Scott)

- ~ Updates - Scott scheduling a meeting with Cary Bruestle regarding new platform
- ~ Fast Fashion Newsletter done by middle schoolers to possibly include in our website

ENERGY ISSUES

- ~ Calculate your Carbon Footprint - Scott has checked all of the links, 2 to be deleted
- ~ LED Light Bulb Give-away (pkgs of 2) – For Hopewell Valley Food Pantry

OTHER - t-shirt tote bags, Beatrice's passion to reuse items, explain recycling

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 10: Sustainable Princeton, Going Beyond: Climate Action and Equity (7pm) Virtual

March 11: HV Green Team Meeting - Virtual

April 18-24: Hopewell Valley Green Week

April 24-30: Mercer County Greening Together (aka Green Fest)

May 15 Pennington Day cancelled

May 17-21: NJ Sustainability Summit (hosted by Sustainable Jersey) Virtual

June 26, July 31, Aug. 28, Sept. 25, Oct. 30: Pennington Farmers Market recycling days (9 am – 1 pm)