

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN TEAM
August 3, 2023, via Zoom Meeting Minutes
In attendance: J. Held, C. Meyer, S. Fulmer

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN GATHERING -Some discussion points: the event went well, the Watershed was a good location under the tent, and the speakers were informative (lots of interest in community solar). Need to have it again next year. Invite Dolph again - perhaps to speak to the group, expand the email invite list, and host the event in early June. Joann to work on convening a meeting between all 3 municipality staff to talk about alternatives with community solar. (Reba Holley, Rex from HT), (Samara, Ryan, from HBoro)

What did you learn?

Follow-up Projects

Community Solar Advertising Campaign

Native Plants, Insects, etc

HOPEWELL HARVEST FAIR – Sept 23, 10-4 pm

Hosting a Green Fair (Scott) Scott is working hard on the HHF website to describe the strict rules in place for this green event, and working on the many details.

Activity to teach about Organic Waste Composting? Talked about ideas for an interactive game on composting to invite children to play. Joann to come up with seed packets for giveaways.

Staffing - we will need to staff our booth all day 10-4 pm

WORKING WITH OUR MUNICIPALITIES- Update

Report to Pennington Borough Council – September 5 at 7 pm via Zoom, EC was invited to brief the council on what they are doing, and Joann is “jumping” into the meeting.

REDUCE/REUSE/RECYCLE - Dave from Hopewell will collect and the funds will go to the local Boy Scouts, as well as help from the scouts. Joann to check with the township to see what date might work. Scott to come up with a flyer and indicate any items Sims will not accept.

Metals Recycling Event

WEBSITE (Scott) Possible information from the Watershed on stormwater flooding - per question at last Saturday’s farmer’s market.

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For Future Discussion

- WATER QUANTITY AND QUALITY
- CIRCULAR ECONOMY PARADIGM
  - Eliminate Waste & Pollution
  - Circulate Products & Materials
  - Regenerate Nature
- COMMUNITY SOLAR
  - Municipal Resolutions of Support
  - Grant Opportunity??
- RESIDENTIAL FLOODING
  - Best Management Practices
  - MS4 Permit

## UPCOMING EVENTS

August 26: Recycling at Pennington Farmers Market, 9-1

Sept 14: HV Green Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

Sept 23: Hopewell Harvest Fair, 10-4 (raindate on Sept. 24)

- Campaign for ConnSolar Valley Wide
- Incentivize Native plant conversion of Lawns
- Consciousness raising about insect decline, pesticide, lawn services