HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN TEAM

June 13, 2024 via Zoom Meeting Minutes In attendance: J. Held, C. Meyer, S. Fulmer, K. Haren, J. Gallagher, H. Wilenius, D. Aicher,

PENNINGTON DAY: Feedback? The focus was on metal recycling, and many enjoyed Scott's sculpture. There seemed to be quite a bit of interest in our collections.

GREEN GATHERING: June 20, 6:30 - 8 pm Temps will be high! Logistics: Setup / Refreshments / Speakers We divided bringing refreshments

Official invitations to the Green Gathering (June 20, 6:30-8) have gone out to elected officials, municipal boards, and the heads of local environmental organizations. We have room for a few of our Green Friends at the Gathering. Invites will go out again next week. The speakers are:

- The Ups and Downs of Sustainable Jersey Certification: Scott Fulmer, the Hopewell Borough Team
- The Path to Regional Stormwater Management: Susan Bristol, Municipal Policy Specialist, The Watershed Institute

REDUCE/REUSE/RECYCLE

- Collections at Pennington Farmers Market beginning June 29, Kim will pick up the items from Joann's house, and Scott will drop everything back at Joann's garage. We reviewed the items we collect and assigned who will be responsible for what item.
- Staffing / Delivering Material

SOCIAL MEDIA - We are getting help from June Schwenk and Jack Gallagher with the HVGT social media.

Facebook

Instagram - we now have an account! Follow us!

WEBSITE (Scott) Expanding Take Action and more tweaks to make the website easy to navigate. Thank you, Scott, for your work on the site!

PUBLIC EV CHARGING STATIONS (Jack) HT has 1 EV station. From Sustainable Jersey Summit, the idea of using street lighting to tap into electricity for a \$25K commitment, level 1 charger. Low-cost install. Jack is looking into this further. Now in

the discovery phase, Jack asked if others are interested in joining the next call for more information.

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For Future Discussion

- WATER QUANTITY AND QUALITY
- CIRCULAR ECONOMY PARADIGM
- RESIDENTIAL FLOODING
- NATIVE PLANTS & POLLINATORS

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

June 20: Green Gathering at Kunkel Park 6:30-8 pm June 29: Recycling at Pennington Farmers Market July 11: Green Team Meeting – Skip this meeting Aug 8: Green Team Meeting – Move to 8/15 Not sure of the date September meeting September 21 Hopewell Harvest Fair