Gloucester City Green Team Minutes

October 5, 2016 at 1:00 PM

Municipal Building - 512 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030

Attendees: Howard Clark, Eliot Nagele, Doug Burns, Joan Chalmers, Adriana Caldarelli, Armando Alfonso, Jeff Dey, Rocco D’Antonio, Jack Lipsett, Fred Schindler, Jess Franzini, Michael Duffy

Agenda:

1) BIG Competition Updates (Jack/Howard)
2) Supplemental CSO Team
3) Other Items
   a. CCMUA & CDM Smith updates (Adriana)
   b. 319(h) Grant (Jeremiah/Eliot)
   c. Tree Foundation
   d. Student Visitors & possible project

Discussion:

1) BIG Competition Updates
   a. Ellory has been working with Jack and Howard
   b. Created a design and looking for future challenges
   c. Sent surveys to businesses through the Business Association regarding flooding impact
   d. Setting up plan for economic grant
2) Supplemental CSO Team
   a. October 26th, 6:30pm at Municipal Building
   b. CSO workshop: Communicate on Water Issues to Engage Stakeholders
      i. October 25 @ 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
      ii. North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority
      iii. Hosted by Jersey Water Works
3) Other Items
   a. CCMUA & CDM Smith updates (Adriana)
      i. Progress Reporting starting November 1st
      ii. 2-year plan
   b. Tree Foundation
      i. Jess meeting with Mikki on October 12th
      ii. Going over the current status of the Urban Forestry Plan and other major issues
      iii. Planting day coming up
      iv. Foundation to receive $20,000 grant
         1. Looking to take applications from local neighborhoods and the right trees for the right neighbors
         2. Application takes 3-4 months
3. Homeowner is responsible for 2 years plus requires training
4. Could canvas flood prone areas, but application need to come from citizens unless the area is city owned property
5. Adriana and Fred to send maps
c. 319(h) Grant
   i. Still waiting to hear back
d. Possibly schedule a Green Team meeting at night to accommodate other people
   i. Possibly create a subcommittee meeting with members of the community
e. Signage
   i. Eliot/Rutgers is asking for input for CSO signage
   ii. Signs are to be educational
   iii. Does not necessarily need to be signs, can be fliers
   iv. Can be catered to relevant activities to the area
   v. Already signs for outfalls; all but the two located on private property are installed
   vi. Fred thinks physical signs are not good and will create sign pollution and vandalism. Should use kiosk, online information, and fliers
f. Student Visitors & possible project
   i. Students from Gloucester Catholic visited
   ii. Looking for projects
   iii. Possibly volunteer for tree foundation

Next Steps:

- Next meeting: November 2nd, 1pm at the municipal building
- Supplemental CSO Meeting: October 26th, 6:30pm at Municipal Building
  o Create and send out agenda and possibly a powerpoint for CSO meeting
  o Redistribute letters to invite stakeholders
- Adriana and Fred to send maps for the Tree Foundation