

City of Lambertville
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

7:00 P.M., Wednesday, September 28th, 2022

Justice Center

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to order and statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act

2. Roll Call

Andy Rdenski

Doug Hara

Lindsay Hansche

Cyndy Jahn

Kate Millsaps

Liz Magill Peer

3. Approval of Minutes

Cyndy made a motion to approve the minutes, Doug seconded. The motion passed (6-0).

4. Old Business

- a. LGW

Oct 1 there will be a planting event at Cavallo Park.

- b. Sustainable Jersey

No update.

- c. Build Your Own Rain Barrell

Eric from SPLASH (the educational boat) received a DEP grant for rain barrels and could potentially partner with the EC for an event.

- d. Planning Board

Kate noted the Board is currently hearing an application on the Phillips Barber medical center proposed renovation and there are stormwater issues.

Liz noted the EC would like to review the application documents and Kate shared materials from the application.

e. Waste Stream

Cyndy and Liz met with Cindy Ege and the Mayor to discuss the future of the third can program. Looking to put out a Request for Expression of Interest (REI) for a vendor to pick up from customers who are charged a fee.

Liz is working on setting up a tour of the recycling center the City uses to learn more.

Andy sent quotes to the Mayor for the magnets that can be placed on trash cans.

f. Environmental Resource Inventory

No update

g. EV Charging Stations

Liz reported the City is waiting for the engagement letter from DEP.

h. Clean-ups

Lindsay noted that Oct 1st is the first clean up and Lindsay plans to hold one the first Saturday of every month.

i. Resiliency

Liz reported she put together content on natural disasters likely to happen in Lambertville and responses and a fact sheet on personal preparedness.

The Resiliency team is applying for a technical support grant from Rutgers to develop AR function where an individual can point their phone at a site in the City and see what it looked like in past floods and future scenarios.

DEP increased Lambertville to Tier A for the MS4 stormwater permit, therefore the City will have to meet more stringent requirements in the future.

Liz noted the application for the Resilient NJ grant program was submitted.

j. Pesticide Ban

Kate needs to work on the first draft of an ordinance.

k. Green Business Certification Workshop

Kelly absent.

l. Stormwater Utility Feasibility Study

Liz noted on Oct 6th there will be a presentation by LCV and NJ Future on stormwater utilities.

Doug noted partnering with neighboring towns is important.

Lindsay will consult the Mayor about asking other communities to attend.

m. Sustainability Scorecard

Kelly absent.

n. Solar Initiative

Doug will reach out to Mayor on exploring solar for city properties.

Lindsay and Kelly went through municipal electric bills to see which buildings are using the most energy and Lindsay can share that information with Doug.

o. YouTube Channel

No update. The City does have a channel and could possibly share content the EC produces.

p. Bike Share

No update.

q. Micro Gardens

No update.

r. Terracycle Boxes

Lindsay working on finding sponsorship for boxes.

s. Lambertville Matters

Lindsay will take over the quarterly print Lambertville Matters submission.

5. New Business

Andy would like to invite Kind Earth Grower to a future meeting to discuss pollinator pathways. Members agreed.

6. Public Comments

None

7. Announcements

8. Adjournment

Cyndy made a motion to adjourn and Doug seconded. The motion passed (6-0).

