

Zoom attendees: Ellen Benoit, Patty Maertens, Donna Marie, Lori Ostrzyzek, Monica Sobon

Notes from the January Meeting: Motion to accept, E.Benoit; second: D. Marie

DISCUSSION NOTES

Conditional Usage—Gas Station in POP

- As requested by the EC/GT, the PB is running a work meeting on March 1 to discuss what the POP zone should be and how to get there. Please join in.

Stormwater Control Ordinance

- Please acquaint yourself with Hope's current ordinance, the state template that Hope is considering, and the Watershed version that is more restrictive. Links for all three versions are on this webpage: <https://sites.google.com/site/hopenjenv/home/current-news>
The final ordinance will figure greatly in any site reviews.

SJ Public Information and Engagement Opportunity

- While awaiting the final report from SJ, a new webpage was developed: <https://sites.google.com/site/hopenjenv/home/public-information-and-engagement> including an interactive calendar that can display agendas and attachments with each entry.
- In the creation of a database for each person, preferences for how to be contacted, such as text for immediate, email for other will be set. Feedback welcome.

Suggestions for \$500 Grange Grant

- Landscaping projects in town, such as trout alley, SMP, Kostenbader corner; neighborhood plant xchange setup.

Green Fair 2021

- Have some activities, outdoor drive up only in the municipal parking, emphasis health safety. Saturday, April 17 suggestions: Abilities e-waste collection (\$200); WC Sheriffs Office Project Medicine Drop; consider what presenters might want to have their literature safely distributed; have rain barrel installed and provide info on that, neighborhood plant xchange, and online Green Fair, which should also be updated; possibly hand out seed bomb material; sign-up for tree seedling distribution.
- Friday, April 23, Tree Seedling Distribution (500 seedlings requested from State Forestry)

Sustainable Jersey Recertification deadline May 2022 (150 points for Bronze, 350 for Silver)

- **Continue ID-ing do-able actions:** <https://www.sustainablejersey.com/actions/>
- It's definitely not too early to get started. Best news: **We have 20 action points**
- Energy audit improvements at municipal buildings are a high priority; street lights for efficiency, cost savings and dark skies.

Environmental Awareness Promotional Item for Distribution aka "Give-Aways"

- Some possibilities: redo the lunch, pocketed, "2-wine" bag; recycling or other awareness bumper sticker; reusable face masks, bamboo toothbrushes, solar path light
- Check out some websites such as: https://www.epromos.com/collection-environmentally-friendly-products/_/N-14138

SJ Technical Assistance for Energy Initiatives

- Sending in an application for Technical Assistance

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn, D.Marie; second: P. Maertens; at 8:29 PM