

# Borough of Oakland, JERSEY OAKLAND

## **New Jersey**

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### SUSTAINABLE OAKLAND GREEN TEAM

October 4, 2021 Meeting 7:30 p.m. Oakland Senior Center, 20 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436

#### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Called to Order at 7:32 p.m. at the Borough of Oakland Senior Center, 20 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436. Chair Alison Fleeson, Pat Weiman, Carrie Terwilliger, Ron Petherbridge, Brian Reilly, Tracy DiTolla, Council Liaison Eric Kulmala, and Borough Administrator Designee Michael Carelli present. Maria Glasson, Andrea Levy, Courtney Carbone, Jessica Stroud, Dana Andro, Dana Lustig, Nicole Nittoli all absent. On motion of Carrie Terwilliger and Seconded by Pat Weiman, Courtney Carbone, Andrea Levy, and Maria Glasson all excused.

**Meeting Announcement:** This meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Law, duly announced, advertised and posted in the municipal building.

#### Open to the Public:

Motion to open to the public made by Andrea Levy and seconded by Maria Glasson. All in favor.

No members of the public present.

Motion to close to the public made by Andrea Levy and seconded by Carrie Terwilliger. All in favor, no abstained or opposed.

#### **Old Business:**

- Borough Secretary:
  - o Borough considering adding paid Secretary for Green Team in 2022.
- Styrofoam Drive:
  - o There will be a Borough Styrofoam Collection on January 8, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. − 1:00 p.m. at the Oakland Borough Hall, 1 Municipal Plaza, Oakland, N.J. 07436. The event sponsor is Andrea Levy, Realtor. Poly Molding in Haskell, N.J. will; be the drop off location. Communications will be developed shortly. Jennifer Mason will contact the High School for potential volunteers.
- Styrofoam Free Business Initiative:

On May 4, 2022, there will be a ban on the State of New Jersey on plastic bags. In November 2021, there will be a ban on plastic straws. This information has been shared with to the Oakland Community of Commerce. Brian Reilly is looking for volunteers to assist with outreach and communications with local business owners. Information will be included in the Borough Newsletter, Borough Calendar, and Recycling Newsletter. Councilman Kulmala suggested that someone reach out to the Mayor as she has been working on revitalizing the Community of Commerce. This program will be kicked off in November 2021. Councilman Kulmala suggested that the Green Team come present at the next Borough Council Meeting for public education. Michael Carelli will loop in the Oakland Environmental Commission, and Jennifer Mason will coordinate with the High School.

#### • Recycling Meeting:

o Brian Reilly is meeting with the Borough Recycling Coordinator to review implementing the plastic film collection program and Styrofoam collection. A budget for Styrofoam collection will be included in the Green Team 2022 budget proposals.

#### • Oakland Community Garden:

- Carrie Terwilliger is working on food donations and calculating the yearly total.
- The Green Team must send out an email for the conclusion of the season.

#### Energy Efficiency Project:

o The Borough of Oakland has completed the Energy Efficiency Project for 2022. There was a total 75% energy cost savings to the Borough for the designated facilities. Michael is working on a 15 point action called Energy Tracking and Management. The Borough is looking into the Recreation Field Lights.

#### • EV Chargers:

o Michael Carelli working on new quotations.

Motion to Close by Pat Weiman, Seconded by Brian Reilly. All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Next Meeting on **Tuesday October 26, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.** at Oakland Senior Center, 20 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436