# **BOROUGH OF OAKLAND Sustainable Oakland Green Team**

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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January 25, 2022 - 7:30 p.m.

The Reorganization and Regular Meeting of the Borough of Oakland Sustainable Oakland Green Team opened on Tuesday January 25, 2022 at 7:37 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Alison Fleeson, Maria Glasson, Pat Weiman, Andrea Levy,

Brian Reilly, Nancy Krause, Carrie Terwilliger, Tracy DiTolla, Ron Petherbridge, Junior Members Elena Blanke, Jennifer Mason, Council Liaison Eric Kulmala, Borough Administrator

Designee Michael Carelli.

Absent: None.

Alison Fleeson announced that proper notice of this meeting was made as to time, date, place and agenda.

#### **NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERSHIP:**

The following members be submitted as Board Members for Calendar Year 2022:

- Alison Fleeson
- Maria Glasson
- Pat Weiman
- Andrea Levy
- Brian Reilly

All in favor, no nays or abstained.

### **NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN:**

Carrie Terwilliger set forth the motion to nominate Alison Fleeson for Chairman for Calendar Year 2022, seconded by Brian Reilly.

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Fleeson, Glasson, Levy, Reilly, Weiman

Nays: None Abstained: None

(5 yeas - 0 nays - Motion Carried)

# **NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIRMAN:**

Carrie Terwilliger set forth the motion to nominate Brian Reilly for Vice Chairman for Calendar Year 2022, seconded by Pat Weiman.

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Fleeson, Glasson, Levy, Reilly, Weiman

Nays: None

**Abstained:** None

(5 yeas - 0 nays - Motion Carried)

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

October 4, 2021 November 23, 2021

Maria Glasson set forth the motion, seconded by Carrie Terwilliger, to approve the above listed minutes as modified.

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Fleeson, Glasson, Levy, Reilly, Weiman

Nays: None Abstained: None

(5 yeas - 0 nays - Motion Carried)

#### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

Chair Alison Fleeson opened for public comment.

No members of the public present.

Chair Alison Fleeson closed the public session.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Styrofoam Drive:** The January 8, 2022 Styrofoam Collection was successful with 134 bags and 500 pounds collected. Thanks to Boy Scouts for assisting and Andrea Levy for sponsoring.

**Styrofoam Free Business Program:** Brian Reilly recapped the program. 18 businesses were reached out to so far. The Oakland Community of Commerce will be assisting. Next steps include further outreach and reusable bags. A soft warning letter will be communicated to the local businesses shortly.

**Plant Sale:** The Sustainable Oakland Green Team will be hosting a Plant Sale in 2022. The pricing structure was already adopted by the Borough Council. Maria Glasson agreed to work with Carrie Terwilliger on putting together event details and outreach. Nancy Krause added that the Shade Tree Commission is hosting a tree seedling give-away in April 2022.

**Oakland Community Garden:** Michael Carelli reported that the Borough Council is adopting a fee ordinance amendment at their next meeting in February to take into account the Community Garden discount price for those that donated produce in 2021. Upon adoption, Michael will work on announcing registration for 2022. Maria Glasson will work on cleanup dates for 2022 and schedule a pre-meeting with membership.

**Oakland Seed Bank:** Maria Glasson is currently working on entering and sorting seeds and will get in touch with Dana Andro.

**Green Fair:** There was a discussion on holding a Green Fair in 2022. It was suggested to tie in with the Oakland Carnival, Arts Amble, or PTO Craft Fair. Different exhibit examples were discussed such as bird and bat boxes, plastic bag outreach, and EV charging stations. Carrie Terwilliger is working with Chair Alison Fleeson on further ideas.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**PSE&G Grants Program:** It was determined that this year's application will be for reusable bags. Ron Petherbridge will work with Brian Reilly and Alison Fleeson on developing the grant application.

**Social Media:** Chair Alison Fleeson sought assistance with the Green Team's social media accounts. Andrea Levy offered to help.

**Plant Swap:** Maria Glasson will work on organizing this year's plant swap. Further details to come.

#### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

Chair Alison Fleeson opened for public comment.

No members of the public present.

Chair Alison Fleeson closed public portion.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

Pat Weiman set forth the motion to adjourn, seconded by Maria Glasson.

#### ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 9:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Carelli Borough Secretary

The next Sustainable Oakland Green Team Meeting is scheduled for: **Tuesday February 22, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing**