

Milltown Green Team Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2024

Attendance: Frank Manco – Council Liaison, Barbara Wright, Alan Godber, Doriann Kerber, Sara Christensen

Location: Borough Hall, 39 Washington Ave, Milltown

7:34pm

1. OPRA statement - this is a public mtg which has been advertised according to state law for the Green Team meeting.
2. Chair, Vice Chair, Secy – Doriann Kerber is Chair
3. SJ Grant & Certification – we can try to input all work we have done with Mill Pond Park and Milltown Senior Center.
4. Educational Outreach – Some ideas presented for the Green Team to collaborate on for SJ
 - Lead & Copper Rule changes coming again to lower lead count from 15ppb to 10ppb
 - Lead Free NJ lead paint in rental properties
 - Pollinators share info at library and put up a display – Doriann to create a display
 - Composting
 - PlasticPollutionCoalition.org
5. Displays at library -
 - Recycling, pollinator gardens - showcase Mill Pond Park, Open Space - butterfly garden in the fall, other ideas? also past rain gardens that were maintained. Pictures and write up to Ralph for his report to the DEP.
6. Restoration efforts at Open Space/Mill Pond Park -
 - Sally is working with Ralph to restore the gardens at Mill Pond Park across from the parking lot. Volunteers and Ralph are assisting to remove invasive plants and weeds. Native plants to be planted.
 - Open Space – Barbara working with Will Bradford to refresh and rebuild the butterfly garden.
7. Grants – SJ grant for the Milltown Senior Center – hopefully we will receive an answer on application. IF not will try Home Depot grant and go through the process with the Council to apply for this grant.
8. Green Fair - April 20, 10-3pm, if rain Sun 11am – 3pm, have a table – Doriann, others will table for Env Commission, library.
9. Old Business – ideas sound great
10. New Business - none
11. Member Comments -
12. Public Comments - none
13. Adjourned 8:39pm

Milltown Green Team Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2024

Started 7:30PM

Intro of members: Councilman Frank Manco, Doriann Kerber, Barbara Wright
Location: Borough Hall, 39 Washington Ave, Milltown

OPRA statement

1. Milltown Senior Center is scheduled for August 8, rain date August 9 to do beautification projects with home Depot and other organizations, some fall projects to prevent having to water so much during this drought, however, prep work for old and new soil to make the native plants have a better chance of survival. Ground is rock hard and Home Depot will help with this part not the planting.
 2. National Night Out – is scheduled for August 6th. Does anyone want to table for Green Team? Some members are tabling for other committees or unavailable
 3. Recycling Education - outreach to the community. Let's have something on display at the library, downtown at Borough Hall
 4. Lead Free Educational outreach - email sent to Middlesex County Public Health Dept to see what they are doing
 6. Mill Pond Park update on pollinator garden, what is working/not working? Any help from the Green Team needed? Emails will be sent on the schedule to assist.
 7. Any other ideas, thoughts?
 8. Public comment
 9. Adjourned
- 8:30pm

Milltown Green Team Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2024

Attendance: Councilman Frank Manco, Doriann Kerber, Sally Sharp – called in, Sarah Christensen-potential new member

Location: Borough Hall, 39 Washington Ave, Milltown

7:36pm end 8:33pm

Lead free NJ Places include this in a mailing

1. Borough Pool, Pre-school and Day Care Centers – library, recreation, summer SACC, camp program
2. Recycling Education – county and state to change/improve program
3. Watershed Planning – Dr. O can he help us with the planning.
4. Mill Pond Park Rain Gardens – Chris Perez
5. Utilities – brochures
6. April 22, 2024 Mill Pond Park clean up and planting wild grapevines, pulling up the weeds, need to get in the roots of the grapevines, weed wacker is effective. 1 hour commitment. Suits for clean up day.
7. Green Team display prepare think how often maybe seasonally.
8. Clean your storm drain – develop a program
9. Meeting adjourned

Regular Garbage Pick Ups

Place containers **2 feet** from the curb in Borough accepted containers and place the night **before** your collection day. Remove containers by **8pm** the day of your collections. Max weight **50 lbs**. For missed collections, please call 732.828.2100x184.

Set out at curb the night before pick up. No appointments needed.

Special Pick Ups

1. **LARGE METAL ITEMS 1st Wednesday** of every month.
2. **ELECTRONICS & TV COLLECTION 2nd Wednesday** of every month.
3. **BULKY NON-METAL ITEMS 3RD Wednesday** of every month.
4. **TIRE COLLECTION 4TH Wednesday** of every month.

RECYLCING NOTES:

PLEASE **NO MORE PLASTIC BAGS** IN YOUR RECYCLING BINS, recycle single use plastic bags retails stores. **ONLY #1 OR #2 PLASTICS**. ALL OTHER NUMBERS ARE TO BE PLACED IN THE TRASH. All items are ro be placed as single stream and can be in **ONE container**.

Milltown Green Team Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2024

Attendance: Councilman Frank Manco, Doriann Kerber, Alan Godber
No quorum, discussion only

Meeting started: 7:35pm

We will meet in April to discuss below and approve minutes in May 2024

1. SJ Grant application submitted for Senior Centers projects
2. Would like to capture projects completed for SJ Certification Bronze Level, 150 points
3. **Raised beds at Good Day – St. Paul's Girl Scouts how is this going, do they need any assistance? This is a service project, no help needed.**
4. Create a recycling schedule to drop off at Senior Ctr. **The Library – place if not done already in the Welcome to the Town Pack, Senior Center, Post Office, handout EARTH Day, DPW, Utility Dept or inside holders at Boro Hall, channel 15 tv**
5. Share Links for comments for NJDEP **Lead exceedance to change from 15ppb to 10ppb.**
Grants available for lead replacement from the main the landowner to the property, local businesses. Send the **FEMA Map** of underserved and overburdened area Main Street.
 - Law updated about lead paint in houses esp landlords of homes being rented.
6. Grants to consider: **Tmobile email to team**, Historic Preservation, Tree Removal & Planting planning grant – would assist Ralph and the town
7. April 20, 2024 10-3pm GI/Green Team, DPW to install the bird/bat houses – Call Ralph installed them? Frank to follow up
8. Member Comments – none
9. Public Comments – none
10. Adjournment

8:39pm ended