

TOWN OF KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

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Green Team Minutes August 18, 2022

Approved

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Green Team was called to order at 7:03 pm with the following present: Mayor Ken Lord, Council Member Judy Kerns, Team Member Evan Wiegand, and Administrative Assistant Teresa Pangle.

Mayor Lord will write up minutes for the May 25, 2022, Green Team Meeting. Minutes from June 22, 2022, were approved.

No announcements

Old Business

Advertising & Social Media are still being worked on.

The Action Plan was approved at the June meeting.

Solar Panels on Library – Danny Chiotos and Hannah Ehlman from Mountain View Solar presented their proposal of \$20,000 which covers 14 Tesla Solar Panels for the Library, with room for more. This will cover an estimated 73% of the current use at the library and some park lights. To get to net zero would be an additional cost of \$6,500.00 for a total of \$26,500.00. There is potential for a tax credit from the recently passed Inflation Reduction Act to possibly offset the cost by \$6,000.00. Mayor Lord raised the question about getting a \$6,000.00 tax credit while using \$20,000.00 in grant money. MTV Solar suggested speaking to an accountant since the details of the Inflation Reduction Act are so new. Ms. Kerns asked about the life of the solar panels. Ms. Ehlman said the warranty is 25 years but panels have been known to last over 30 years. There was discussion about what's done with the panels at the end of their lifespan or when their efficiency decreases. Re-use in other applications was mentioned. Recycling is the goal, but it's not there yet. Ms. Ehlman asked about the age of the library roof. Mr. Chiotos mentioned it is very costly to remove and re-install solar panels if the roof needs replacement, and advised the roof be addressed before solar panels are installed. Ms. Ehlman brought up the benefits to the Town of adding backup batteries down the line. Due to the cost of this project the Town will have to put it out for bids.

Redundant Street Lights - Ms. Pangle reported she contacted Potomac Edison and they need a spreadsheet with the pole number and location emailed to them and then they will send out a construction team to remove the lights. Potomac Edison didn't give a time frame. Ms. Pangle will work on getting the pole numbers/location of the redundant lights next week to email to Potomac Edison.

New Business

Ms. Pangle reported she received a call from Willdan, an Energy Efficiency Auditor contracted by Potomac Edison who wanted to confirm the lighting at the library. She asked if they could include Town Hall and they said yes. They are looking to replace fluorescent lights with LED lights. The bulbs are supplied for free. There is funding that covers up to 70% to upgrade old lighting fixtures. They will also do free assessments on HVAC. An appointment was scheduled for August 16, 2022. Town Administrator Ms.

Riner took Steve Edwards from Willdan around Town Hall and the Library for the free assessment. We hope to have the results by next week.

Comments

Ms. Kerns mentioned the old lights that were removed are being stored in the Pavilion. What are we doing with those, if anything? Can they be re-used or sold? They just need to be removed from the Pavilion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Submitted by

Teresa Pangle

Administrative Assistant

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Green Team Meeting August 18, 2022

All attendees must sign in. Attendee comments will only be heard during the appropriate time in the agenda. Those wishing to be heard must check the appropriate box. Comments will be limited to three minutes each.

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	WISH TO BE HEARD
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Hannah Ehlman	MTV Solar	Hannah@MTVsolar.com 240-285-4048	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Daniel Chibas	MTV Solar	304-886-3889	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Green Team Agenda August 18, 2022

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes: May 25, 2022, and June 22, 2022

Announcements

Danny Chiotos and Hannah Ehlman, Mountain View Solar

Old Business: Advertising & Social Media; Action Plan; Solar Panels on Library; Redundant Street Lights on Main St

New Business

Comments by Residents

Comments by Team

Adjournment