

TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, WARREN COUNTY

Green Team Minutes

February 10, 2011

The Green Team meeting was held this date at the Mansfield Township Municipal Building, 100 Port Murray Road, Port Murray, N.J. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Present: Michael Clancy, Jennifer Keggan, Robert Jewell, Drew Di Sessa, Orson Kirk and JoAnn Fascenelli

Absent: Becky Harm, RJ Streng, Kathy Todd, Sherrie Tromp and Michele Largman

**Support Local Businesses** : Mrs. Fascenelli advised the Mansfield Police Administrative Assistant supplied the names and addresses of local business. Mailing labels will be prepared. The following letter was forwarded to the Green Team members for their input:

In July of 2010 Mansfield Township established a Green Team as part of the Mansfield Township Environmental Commission. The Township of Mansfield and the Green Team strive to save tax dollars, assure clean air and water and improve working and living environments. The Green Team's goal is to build a community that is sustainable economically, environmentally and socially plus a community which would thrive well into the new century.

As such, the Green Team is focusing on supporting local businesses in order to help create a strong and vibrant business community.

Mansfield Township will be creating a link on their municipal website to showcase all businesses located in the community so that residents and visitors can find and patronize Mansfield Township's businesses.

If you wish to participate, please complete the information below and return to:

Mansfield Township  
100 Port Murray Road  
Port Murray, N.J. 07865  
ATT: JoAnn

BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF BUSINESS: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE # (IF APPLICABLE) \_\_\_\_\_

WEBSITE (IF APPLICABLE) \_\_\_\_\_

Please do not hesitate to call (908-689-6151 ext. 116) with any questions and/or concerns you may have. Thank you for being a significant part of Mansfield Township.

It was also suggested that notification be placed on the Township's website along with the above letter so that "Home Based" businesses could also participate.

**Recycling Depot:** Mrs. Fascenelli reviewed the specifications required in order to qualify and obtain points for a recycling depot. The Township may not qualify – but a description and pictures will be available in a month or two.

**Outdoor Furnaces:** Mr. Di Sessa stated that outdoor wood-burning furnaces are denied for zoning at this time. The Planning Board has not been meeting on a regular basis; however they will be discussing outdoor furnaces, solar, and wind turbines. Mr. Di Sessa was not sure if existing units would be grandfathered or not. This would be up to the Township Committee.

**Solar & Wind Power Seminar:** Mr. Di Sessa attended the Solar & Wind Power Seminar at the Warren County Technical School. He advised the seminar was informative and well attended. The seminar addressed how to create ordinances and state statutes. There are currently five (5) Warren County municipalities that have ordinances regarding solar and wind.

**Construction & Demolition Ordinance:** Mr. Jewell supplied a copy of an ordinance from the Township of Mount Olive.

**Sustainable Jersey Points:** Mr. Di Sessa stated that Sustainable Jersey does not accept submissions one at a time. They require that your combined submission is worth 150 points or more. He will advise at the next meeting the status of what can be submitted.

**Mansfield School Science Fair:** Mr. Di Sessa said the school science fair may be a good opportunity for the Green Team to promote the activities undertaken by the team.

Next Green Team meeting is scheduled for March 10, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

JoAnn Fascenelli