



CITY OF ST. PETERS GREEN TEAM
TUESDAY APRIL 14, 2015 5:00 PM
CITY OF ST PETERS HES OPERATIONS BUILDING
135 ECOLOGY DRIVE ST. PETERS, MO 63376

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:00

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Present: Madaline Barteau, Susan Niederberger, Gabi Schwartz, Stacey Thomas, Leo Tevlin, Morton Todd, Terri Violet, Alderman, David Kuppler, HES Manager, Debra Knoble, Sustainability Specialist. Guest: Shelly Hoffman. CTS Group representatives, Ellie Blankenship, Jim Thurman and Ed Carlstrom.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Morton made a motion to approve the February minutes, Susan seconded and minutes were approved.

PRESENTATION: CTS Group – Green by Design: The presentation focused on performance based contracting for energy savings projects. Examples from municipalities in Missouri and Illinois were presented to the Green Team. A question and answer session followed. The Green Team concluded that St. Peters has been very proactive in pursuing energy initiatives in their planning process and a general energy audit is not needed.

DISCUSSION:

Clean Streams Day: April 25, 2015 from 8am – 11:30am. Plan to make Clean Stream a zero waste event. Green Team members are needed to monitor composting and recycling containers and to educate participants. St. Peters will be recognizing Earth Day Networks Global Day of Conversation by registering this event to encourage a dialogue about the important of sustainability within the community.

Shred It and Forget it Dates: May 2, 2015 and November 7, 2015 from 9am – noon. At the May 2 event the Parks Department will give out trees for Arbor Day.

Door-to-Door Program: Follow-up statistics provided on previous promotions suggest that the program is not generating a significant increase in long term recycling rates. Discussed how time and resources might be used more effectively to increase recycling. Sunset Fridays and events at 370 Lakeside Park might be a way to encourage recycling and reach out to a wider range of residents. Will discuss further at the next meeting

Green Business Challenge: The Green Team decided continued participation in the Green Business Challenge for 2015 would be a good way to stay in tune with sustainability initiatives in the area. St. Peters has played a leadership role in the challenge and a new greening government segment would provide another venue for St. Peters to provide leadership and gain recognition.

STAR Communities: The STAR Community Rating System (STAR) a framework and certification program for local governments may be too time and resource intensive for St.

Peters. There is a meeting convening in Washington D.C. at the end of April to discuss developing a set of metrics that would allow smaller communities to compare and benefit from STAR ratings. The scaled down version of STAR might be an option for St. Peters that can be revisited when details become available.

Round Table Discussion: Shout out to Parks for making St. Peters a Tree City USA community since 1999. City Hall has installed solar equipment in planters. Trash trucks will be getting new graphics renaming them Recycling Trucks and drivers will be recyclers not garbage men in an effort to shift residents' perception from trash to recycling.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday June 9, 2015 at the HES Operations Building.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Debra Knoble, HES Sustainability Specialist

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