

## **Green Team Meeting**

**July 15, 2021**

**5:00 P.M.**

Attendees: Bracken Burns (Supervisor), Janie Deemer, Colleen Johnson, Mark McCurdy, Penny Steggles, Township Manager Brandon Stanick, Assistant to the Township Manager Jim Sutter

### Topics of Discussion

#### **- Property Beautification Awards**

- Several nominations for the Property Beautification Awards have been received to date. Seven residential properties and two agricultural properties have been nominated. No applications have yet been received for commercial properties. Mr. Burns noted they wanted to ensure there were several nominees in each of the categories. With the impending deadline (July 16<sup>th</sup>) and the desire to have a wider selection of nominations, it was the consensus of the group to extend the deadline to August 13, 2021.
- Mr. Burns asked for suggestions on who would judge the properties and select the winners. The consensus was to ask the Martha Washington Garden Club to evaluate and judge the nominations. Mr. Burns stated he would speak with the Garden Club President, Debbie Davis, about this matter. A discussion ensued on whether there would be criteria given to the Garden Club for judging. Mr. Burns stated it would be better to leave it them given their expertise in the matter. Mr. Burns did suggest it would be appropriate to reserve the right to decide on other logistics, such as whether to award 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places if there are more nominations. Mr. Burns also suggested that every property that is nominated should be recognized by the Township.

#### **- Litter Pickup Event**

- Mr. Burns opened the floor to suggestions for the location and date of the next litter pickup event. After the consideration of several different Saturday options in the coming weeks, it was decided to hold the next event on August 14<sup>th</sup> from 8-10 a.m.
- Mr. Burns suggested that they consult with Public Works Director Russ Grego on a suggested road. Mr. McCurdy suggested Berry Road as a possible location given the presence of debris from a recent storm. Mr. Burns asked if any applications to join the Green Team have been received from any of the community members who attended the previous litter pickup event. None had and a discussion ensued on potential new member recruitment.

#### **- Flowers at new Township Welcome Sign**

- Ms. Deemer asked if there were any plans for planting flowers at the base of the new Township welcome sign that was recently installed along East Beau Street at CFS Bank. A discussion on the sign ensued with the group reaching a consensus to have Aiden plant flowers to be donated from Stimmel Greenhouses. Township Manager Stanick stated he would get in touch with Aiden about this and have him reach out to Mr. Stimmel to finish the project.

#### **- Recycling at Trinity School District**

- Ms. Deemer asked if they will be revisiting the idea of getting the Trinity School District to recycle. Mr. Burns gave a brief overview of the previous attempt to discuss the school's recycling program. Having met with representatives of the school and hearing about its single-stream recycling program, it became apparent the recyclable waste may not be processed properly if its mixed in with the school's regular garbage. Following a discussion regarding the matter, Mr. Burns asked staff to set up a meeting with Waste Management to discuss this further.
- **New Member Recruitment**
  - Ms. Deemer asked if the Green Team was actively recruiting new members. Mr. Burns stated that there were two prospective members, but that they have not received any applications. Assistant to the Township Manager Sutter handed out hard copies of the membership application to each member present for them to distribute as they see fit.
- **Closing Thoughts**
  - Assistant to the Township Manager Sutter will look into the process for applying for and obtaining a cardboard recycling dumpster
  - Mr. Burns asked Township Manager Stanick to contact Range Resources for a status update on the tree planting on the Munce Well site property

**Adjournment: 6:05 p.m.**