



**Green Initiatives Team
Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2016
6pm**

GIT and others in attendance: Phil LeBlanc, Loren Audette, Christine Maher, Dave Schmidt, Alderman Kelly Russell, Ron Kaltenbaugh, Lisa Orr, Jen Griesbach, and Jenny Willoughby

1. Earth Day/Earth Hour Activities—The team reviewed planned activities. Jenny will post the events to the Facebook page.
2. Permanent Committee Update—The Mayor and Board will vote on the permanent committee, new name and re-appointments of current members on March 17.
3. Sustainability Plan Update—the plan is with the Director of Public Works awaiting final comments. It will go to a Mayor and Board workshop this spring.
4. Facebook Page for GIT—The Environmental Finance Center created a Facebook plan for the Sustainability team. Some of the recommendations include each committee member liking the page and posts, sharing those posts, and inviting others to like the page. They also provided ideas for pre-loading events and posts.
5. Other Topics—the shared use path under Route 15 is expected to begin May 6. The group also discussed the upcoming Green Neighbor Forum on March 12, the backyard hens discussion at the Mayor and Board workshop on March 30, the 2016 Power Saver Retrofits will be launched in July, Neighborhood Green (a County program) provides cost share for green retrofits, and the County's Green Homes Challenge. The Frederick County Green Team Summit will be at the City's Annex on Tuesday, April 12 at 6pm. The team also discussed the possibility of having a table at In the Streets.

The meeting was adjourned.