



Sustainability Committee

Minutes

January 7, 2019, 6pm

Municipal Annex, 140 West Patrick St., Room C

Attendance: Phil LeBlanc, Eric Daniels, Christine Maher, Joanne Petersen

Aldermen: Ben MacShane

Guests:

Staff: Jenny Willoughby

1. December minutes were approved.
2. Partnerships Update: The 2019 Green Lecture series in partnership with the County Sustainability Commission, Middletown Green Team, and the Public Library, has been scheduled for January through May, with more lectures being planned and booked soon. Christine Maher is heading it up for the City Committee. Schedule to date:
 - a. January 19: Tree Walk in Waterford Park
 - b. February: Climate Talk about Food and Farming at C Burr Artz Library
 - c. March: Composting at Fox Haven Farm
 - d. April: Mike Judd—Edible Landscapes at C Burr Artz Library
 - e. May: Rain Gardens with Master Gardeners at Cooperative Extension
3. Recycling Project Proposal: Frederick County opted not to cost-share the proposed recycling art project with the City. The Committee will explore other options.

4. Cigarette Butt Discussion: Phil said that he had just collected another box of cigarette butts to be shipped to Terracycle. To date, about 70 pounds of butts have been collected. Regarding the proposed letter to the Mayor and Board, the Committee wanted to develop a subcommittee to discuss the letter wording for suggested changes to the litter ordinance that would go to Mayor and Board.
5. CIP Budget: Jenny provided a brief overview of what had been completed and what projects were on-going. The Committee requested a list of operations budget items as well.
6. Administrative items:
 - a. Next meeting Feb. 4, 2019
7. No additional public comment.