

Watchung Green Team

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Start date and time:

March 24, 2025

5:33 pm

Attendees:

Charlie Neiss (chair)
Kayla Briant
Emma Speeney
Denise Soppas
Mimansa Kumar

Agenda

- Approval of January 27, 2025 [Meeting Minutes](#)
- Approval of February 24, 2025 [Meeting Minutes](#)
- Grant status
- Community garden project proposal update
- Farmers Market

Prior meeting minutes

[January 27, 2025](#)

Motion: Emma
Second: Kayla
Approved

[February 24, 2025](#)

Motion: Mimansa
Second: Emma
Approved

Grant status

- Sustainable Jersey Grant - Need status from Bill
- PSE&G Grant

- Meetings in January & February
- Application for \$5k grant can be submitted soon
- Next meeting with SJ on 4/9. Charlie to send meeting registration once available.

Community garden project proposal

Updates to the proposal were reviewed. Some additional changes were recommended. One more revision before the April meeting. A working meeting will be scheduled in early April.

Farmers Market Update

- Bill sent email to vendors and Denise followed up.
- Ten vendors have expressed an interest in returning, but only one application has been received to date.

Follow-ups from prior meeting

- Charlie to update Jan meeting minutes with missing information COMPLETE
- PSE&G Outreach grant
 - Bill to send high res logo to SJ COMPLETE
 - Charlie to draft letter for Mayor's signature COMPLETE
 - Sonia to speak with Mayor regarding video TBD
 - Bill to provide list of businesses from fire official COMPLETE
 - Photos of borough to be provided for website COMPLETE
- Emma and Kayla to update proposal COMPLETE
 - Flesh out pros and cons for Mobus and Camp Endeavor locations
 - Keep Phillips and Best Lake locations in document, but indicate reasons for removing from consideration
 - Estimate of size of garden and parking requirements
 - Rough budget estimate
- Bill to send letter to prior vendors asking for response within 6 weeks COMPLETE

Follow up actions:

- Charlie to send details of April 9th SJ meeting
- Emma & Kayla to update proposal and schedule meeting with Charlie
- Charlie to follow up with Sonia about Mayor's letter and video appearance.

Next meeting:

April 28, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

Meeting End time: 6:17 pm

Motion to adjourn: Denise

Second: Kayla

Approved unanimously