

### THE CITY OF FROSTBURG

# **Green Team Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 4:00 PM

Frostburg Municipal Center Meeting Room 100 37 S. Broadway, Frostburg, MD 21532

#### 1. Call to Order

#### 2. Old Business

A. Next Cleanup Day is 9/26 from 4-5 PM

Bethany gave information about the next Cleanup Day, which is scheduled for 9/26 from 4-5 PM.

#### 3. New Business

A. Edible Arboretum Master Plan

Bethany informed the Green Team that City officials have requested that grant funding be obtained to develop a master plan for the Edible Arboretum and to finish out planting and development. It was suggested that we contact Runners Wings to possibly sponsor matching funds, and to explore whether the Master Gardeners would be willing to complete the plantings.

#### 4. Discussion Items

A. MRHS Presentation

Nina, Jenna, and Bethany will give a presentation about the Green Team to MRHS staff during their Staff Development Day.

B. Other Discussion Topics from Attendees

Other discussion topics from attendees included:

- 1. Depot landscaping we have been approached by Allegany County Tourism to perform some landscaping upkeep at the Frostburg train depot. We will visit the site and assess the extent of the work that needs done.
- 2. Maryland's Clean Energy Coalition will be hosting "Listen, Lead, and Share" forums in early winter 2025. They are seeking topics and input.
- 3. Woody Getz requested that food waste reduction initiatives be added to the Green Team's October agenda.
- 4. Continued conversations about cardboard recycling. Green Team members would like to see an insert placed in the water bill, but this is often difficult to achieve.
- 5. An Outdoor Recreation Summit is being held at Rocky Gap 10/9 through 10/11.
- 6. The MRHS Green Team is considering projects to undertake relating to sustainable practices. They have narrowed down their focus areas to pollinators, conservation vs. reduction, and policy changes, and sought input from Frostburg Green Team members on how to refine their focus.
- 7. The Green Team would like to explore more content creation to develop educational promo materials that can be shared on the Green Team Facebook page. Bethany advised that assistance is needed with this, as City staff do not have the capacity to develop these materials at this time.

8. It was also suggested that "field trips" or special speakers be arranged on a quarterly basis to encourage deeper participation on the Green Team.

## 5. Adjournment