

West Vincent Sustainability Committee
Tuesday, June 21, 2016
Meeting Minutes

Committee members in attendance: Ben James, Kip Archinal, Penny Fulton, Sam Cantrell, Bernie Couris, Nicole Keegan, and Tom Kalusky

The meeting was called to order by Ben James, Chairman

The minutes of the March and April meetings were approved as submitted. Kip Archinal volunteered to write the minutes of the June meeting.

Green Drinks report: Green Drinks is tomorrow night, and Nicole will e-mail the notice after the meeting. Attendance has been improving.

Movie Night: Sam reported that it has not progressed, so no movie is currently scheduled.

Yard Sale: Penny Fulton has put her expert hand at the helm and created a committee of experienced volunteers (Adrienne Boyance and Cara Graver). They met, and plans are proceeding. She requested volunteers to help with the parking.

Community Day report: Lily Blatz, winner of the Sustainability Contest at 2016 West Vincent Township Day, was presented with an official certificate (created by Ben James) at the end of the DARE Assembly held at the West Vincent Elementary School. It was covered by the Community Courier in a front-page story, which was shown to the Committee. Lily also received a \$50 Visa card as well, which was presented at the Supervisor's meeting.

Liaison Reports:

Supervisor's Meetings: Kip Archinal reported that the Sustainability Amendments to the SALDO and the Zoning Ordinance were finally approved officially. She also reported on the request by Dewy Family to open their "Ninja Training" facility on Route 401 to the public. The purchase of a new police car desired by the Chief has been postponed until engineers have completed a survey of roads and created a budget for repair expenses. Discussion of a vehicle with fewer emissions was held, but not with serious intent since purchase was not imminent.

The Sustainability Initiatives that fell into groupings were assigned as follows:

Farmers and Education – Penny, Bernie and Sam
Water and Trash, Composting, and Mulch, Ben, Bryan, and Kip
Trails and Ludwig's Corner – Jim, Nicole and Tom

The agenda for the next meeting was discussed, and it was decided to focus on the farming initiatives by educating ourselves. Sam said the issue breaks down to embracing or not embracing conventional agriculture. The committee decided to invite farmers to come and share information. Ben agreed to invite the Miller family, Sam volunteered to ask Marilyn Anthony to be our guest, and Penny said she would find a representative from PASA.

Harriet Stone informed us that Lundale Farms is setting up training.

Kip moved to adjourn the meeting and Sam seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Kip Archinal