

# GLEN ROCK ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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## **AGENDA - Meeting of WEDNESDAY October 20, 2023**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Ben Meyer                      Scott King                      Elaine Silverstein  
Michelle Tyler                Amy Martin (Council Liaison)

**GREC Alternates:** Sara Froikin-Gordon, Candy Hall

**Green Team:** Teresa Gilbreath, Jessica Caron

**Shade Tree Advisory Committee:** Elaine Silverstein, Candy Hall

**Guests:** Sylvia Rabacchi, Ken Jones, David Lindley, Lesley Elton, Michael Faherty, Mike Shetler, Tom Marcyes, David Lindley, Stephanie Brennan, Ed Morley, Mary & Martin Sutherland, Laura Occhipinti, Arati Kreibich.

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### **Agenda Topic**

### **Owner**

### **Key Points**

Minutes approval

All

Minutes of September 2023 meeting to be approved.

New GREC members

All

Any residents interested in environmental issues are invited to apply to join GREC.

### **UPDATES**

Shade Tree discussion

Sub-Committee

Discussion from shade tree sub-committee of STAC and GREC.

GREC Process

Meyer

Many new great ideas are coming forth. They should be reviewed at GREC to assure the expertise and views of all at GREC are heard and included before sending out of GREC.

SJ Certification

Meyer

Planning and discussions for SJ certification activities will be done with selected reviews in this meeting and other conferences in small groups.

Prescription drug safety and disposal (10): we got in 2021.

Fleet Inventory (10) – we had in 2018, not in 2021.

Environmental Commission (10)

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| Green Dev. checklist   | King  | Green Development Checklist (10). Submit the Green Development Checklist approved by GREC to the Planning Board, and submit ordinance update to M&C.   |
| Community Solar        | Jones | Update on Community Solar, with material for web hosting and outreach.<br><br>Municipally Supported Community Solar (10)<br>REQUIREMENTS:<br>1. A municipal resolution—RES PASSED 9/13/23<br>2. Webpage (on GREC page)<br>3. Two additional outreach efforts<br><br>Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicles (10)<br>REQUIREMENTS:<br>1. Acquire one plug-in fully electric vehicle.—DONE<br>2. Upload a copy of the current vehicle registration—WILL UPOLOAD<br><br>Make Your Town Electric Vehicle Friendly (15)<br>REQUIREMENTS:<br>1. Adopt the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance.<br>2. Update the Land Use Ordinance<br>3. First Responder EV and EVSE Training<br>4. Perform one of:<br>a. Post permitting application process on municipal website.<br>b. Post inspection process on municipal website.<br>c. Amend municipal master plan to incorporate EVSE. |
| Energy Efficiency      | Hall  | Discussion on SJ/PSE&G partnership program and grant (10).<br><br>Update from the energy efficiency sub-committee on residential, commercial, municipal campaigns (Hall, Silverstein, Tyler, Caron).<br><br>Emergency communication planning? – had this action in 2021<br><br>Recycling and Waste reduction ed and compl? (15): we had this in 2021   |
| Plastic-Free Glen Rock | Tyler | Green Business Recognition Program (10)<br>REQUIREMENTS:<br>1. Establish criteria for participation and a marketing strategy to recognize participants.—DONE<br>2. The program may be structured as a general program for all businesses or targeted at a specific business sector (i.e. <b>restaurants</b> ).<br>3. To be eligible for points, the municipality must serve as a partner in project development and implementation.  |

4. The program may be administered directly by the municipality or through other organizations, such as the local Chamber of Commerce.
5. A minimum of two businesses must be participating and receive an award. **NEED THE 2nd BUSINESS.**
6. Recognition of the businesses receiving an award by the Borough Council.

INNOVATIVE PROJECT n3 (10)

The new water refill stations & ask for a 5th install at train station.

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| Arts Council           | Martin, Silverstein | <p>Update on Arts Council activities that may be eligible for SJ points.</p> <p>Establish a Creative Team (10). (<i>Alcove, Arts Council (Movies, EV chargers, calendar).</i>)</p> <p>REQUIREMENTS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Submit a Report which:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Defines the “purpose or role” of the Creative Team.</li> <li>b. Identifies team members (see SJ)</li> <li>c. Describes the structure of the Team (see SJ)</li> <li>d. Describes the geographic area covered by your Creative Team (see SJ)</li> <li>e. Summarizes the Creative Team’s past and planned activities the current or previous calendar year.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Upload the resolution, ordinance, or meeting minutes that substantiate how and when the Creative Team was established.</li> </ol> <p>Creative Assets Inventory.(10)<br/>Pre-Requisite: Establish a Creative Team</p> <p>REQUIREMENTS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide a short narrative in the text box (300 words maximum) describing your efforts to complete the Creative Assets Inventory.</li> <li>2. Upload the completed CAI in text, map or spreadsheet form (see SJ)..</li> <li>3. Upload documentation of significant stakeholder involvement (see SJ).</li> </ol> |
| Video Project          | Caron (Josephine)   | Update on video project  |
| Leaf Blower regulation | Silverstein,        | Discussion of a possible ordinance to regulate the use of leaf blowers, including examining existing ordinances in other municipalities. Speaker to Council work session1/8.   |
| Energy Efficiency      | Hall                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussion on SJ/PSE&amp;G partnership program and grant.</li> <li>- Update from the energy efficiency sub-committee on residential, commercial, municipal campaigns (Hall, Silverstein, Tyler, Caron).</li> </ul>  |
| Styrofoam recycling    | Martin              | Update in plans for the Glen Rock DPW to use the Ridgewood densifier and schedule 4 Styrofoam recycling collections per year.  |
| Planning Board update  | King, Meyer         | Update on any environmental aspects of Planning Board applications from sub-committee.   |
| Nabisco demolition     | All                 | Update on latest status  |

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