**Notes are below. Next meeting is 1/17/22.  Happy holidays everyone!**

**AGENDA:**

**Notes 12/20/22**

**Welcome any new attendees:** None for December’s meeting

Present: Kathleen Hayden, Elizabeth Ellman, Rachel Cohen, Midge Cull, Corey Baker, Lisa Goldsand, Jeremy Handler.  No virtual attendees for this one.

**Updates:**

**Kathleen Hayden -** Reviewed the styrofoam recycling machine and process in Hilliard - Learnings from MORPC meeting and also from Kathy - the machine was procured through a grant from SWACO.  Intended for use by the larger community.  Drop off is permitted 24/7.  General discussion among attendees is interest in the initiative, and curiosity as to how Hilliard is managing demand from outside its municipality (it is clea that the investment was intended to be a larger solution for central Ohio).  Bexley’s styrofoam collection receptacle will be available from Xmas to NY.  Receptacle will be placed outside of the pool.

**Bexley City Schools – John Eickenberry, Alina and Addison:** No updates for December.

**CSG – Corey Baker:**

CSG moved to full composting in dining rooms.  Observed significant dip in compliance post TG.  Reverting to more overt ‘guardianship’ at mealtimes.  Learning is ongoing.  Major concern is contamination.

Note re ROI on compost projects - Pumpkin composting execution was poor.  Compost bins were not monitored.  Follow up with Compost Clubhouse was needed. Bins decomposed so the pumpkins couldn’t be composted / picked up in the end.

CSG has officially moved to Rumpke from SWACO.  This was due to a limited recycling offering from SWACO.  Challenges exist within CSG to comply correctly with recycling.  The non-compliance fee from Rumpke is $100 per bin.   Working to incorporate knowledge of proper recycling practices into the curriculum.

Rapid Five engaging with CSG to develop programming to support the mission of Rapid Five.  Corey to share updates as they develop.

**Capital University – Ashley Harvey and Rachael Rice:** Lisa provided an update on the community wide  formal wear swap on 1/26.

**Chamber of Commerce – Lori Ann Feibel:** No updates for December.

**City of Bexley - Elizabeth Ellman:**

* **Presentation to Council**
* **Legislation**
  + **Uni Rec – working on an RFP**
  + **SUP 2**
* **BCS**
  + **4th Grade**
  + **MS Food waste recycling – Luca**
  + **HS projects**
    - **Alina**
* **CAP –**
  + **The CAP will be done in house. I will need a team**
    - **Ashley, Lisa, Rachel**
    - **Jeremy**
  + **GHG emissions – task force**
    - **Create a task force to serve as both an advisory and working group to establish the City’s focus on energy efficiency.**
    - **Ensure the task force is familiar with energy equity considerations.**
    - **Identify stakeholders. It will be essential to have open channels of engagement with community groups.**
    - **Set a target for energy efficiency based on climate and equity goals. Be sure that no resident experiences a home energy burden above 5%.**
    - **Pass a resolution to ensure action is taken and establish the City’s commitment.**
    - **Identify priority actions to achieve the energy efficiency target. Be sure to focus on local government operations, private homes, and**
    - **commercial buildings.**
    - **Agree to the priority actions. This may include opportunities such as: utility programs and property assessed clean energy (PACE).**
    - **Identify action partners. Not only will you need people with technical skills to implement projects and programs, you will also need**
    - **community partners to help with outreach and for evaluation.**
    - **Identify funding sources.**
    - **Develop a work plan and begin.**
    - **\* There’s also additional action items re: solar, fleet transition (Clean Fuels Ohio and PCFO), renters, future GHG emissions inventories**
* [**Feet on the Street**](http://bexley.org/fots)
* **Fair // Volunteers for Earth Day // do it at schools // as I focus more on City projects // $3500 grant**
* **Sustainable September**
* [**Save More than Food**](https://savemorethanfood.org/about/)
* **Rentable Christmas tree // $1000 from FSWCD**
* **Blue collection containers**
* **Restaurant food waste grant**
* **COSI SciFest – need to be City initiative; May 6th**
* **Bexley Magazine**
* **What constitutes an ESAC/GB initiative**

**Also discussed as part of Elizabeth’s updates:**

Bexley magazine - local replacement for Bexley Living.  Interest in exploring this new publication as a channel for updates from the ESAC.  Lisa G to connect with the person who has launched the publication to learn more about the magazine, its charter, and opportunities for communication to the community.

Future meeting topic - should we create guidelines to clarify which initiatives are officially ESAC ones vs private, or affiliated with another entity in Bexley (ex. CSG).  Lisa to add the ESAC / Green Bexley charter in the notes.