

**1. Welcome; new introductions** - Kathy Hayden, Lesli Mautz, Corey and Matt Zimmer, Rachael Rice, Ashley Harvey, Addison Helon, Corey Baker, Elizabeth Ellman, Midge Cull, John Eickenberry, Chris Bournea

**2. Elizabeth's updates**

School resumes 8/18 - 4th grade sustainability education at Montrose by EE, 1st graders at Cassingham, Maryland TBD - ambition to roll out district wide curriculum. Funding TBD.

Climate project disclosure - complete. Info expected in December. Anticipated rating w/b D but participation / benchmark established

Survey with Joseph Goodman - research in sustainability marketing - will circulate to committee for feedback before distribution. Plan to launch by labor day. Survey is for residents. Target response # is 100. Ashley recommended distro through QR codes at Capital. Goal of data is to benchmark community engagement, track changes over time.

City of Columbus and Solar United Neighbors offering Solar Co-OP. Approx 150 ppl signed up. Info at [bexley.org/solar](http://bexley.org/solar)

Many upcoming events needing committee member participation:

8/28 Smoke and Fire Festival. Need: waste sorters, entertainers of waste sorters =) ie EE. See signup genius and consider volunteering. Or email EE. Ashley to promote volunteer opportunities at Capita

8/27 Rapid5 hosting litter pick up starting at St.Charles. Registration required in order to sign up (info to follow). Region-wide project.

Bexley Natural Market 9/25 - need tablets.

COGO (bike memberships) available to anyone who needs/wants one.

Sustainable September - 4 films planned. Solar education, Food waste reduction and Food rescue, Education on plant rich diet. Film 9/2, Food truck festival 9/9. Promoting recycling events, Bexley bag give-away at LD block party

GHG inventory created by Jon-Paul D'Aventi reviewed on 8/12. EE will share video of presentation to council.

EE to speak to OSU about drafting climate action plan as part of capstone project

Feet on the Street - Cart (as in recycling bin) auditing to take place in October. Auditing company hired by Bexley is Goodland. Repeat failures of audit may result in expulsion from recycling pick-up.

Matt Zimmer - question about renewable energy credits secured through AEP as part of Bexley community - EE confirmed on radar but not in action at present. Monitoring energy pricing to evaluate future action.

**3. Capital University updates** - Ashley & Rachel - composting finalized for residential housing at Capital. Working with Food Rescue US to identify Capital as a donor of left-over food; Plan to engage formally about Capital's sustainability efforts. Will be open to greater community. Rachel / Ashley to provide info once finalized. Discussed ESAC participation at Capital's organization fair - Thursday, 8/25. 4 - 6 Schaaf Lawn. No volunteers available at present.

**4. Chamber updates** - Taste of Bexley next event 9/22. 5:30 - 8; outdoor event at Jeffrey behind shelter house near tennis courts; Sustainable composting planned. Volunteers needed for water table

**5. School updates** - Addison - School resumes 8/18. First meeting of environmental club following week. Plan to increase engagement. 8/20 4pm hosting a litter pickup meeting at trail near Sheperd library - north of 5th avenue alum creek trail.

#### **6. Other ESAC updates -**

Bexley Schools - John E - Turf field at Bexley schools redone during summer as sustainable project. All byproducts were recycled - turf returned to plant; Proposal to message to Bexley parents / students - message and distro method TBD

CSG - Corey Baker - Adult and student committee - moved from SWACO to Rumpke contract to expand recyclable categories included. Piloted composting in dining hall in middle school. Rolling out to other schools this fall. Sustainability club interested in clothing and fabric recycling. Ran fabric swaps ly.

Rebecca - mosquito pilot program update - seeking ways to control mosquito population while protecting other insect populations (pollinators); 3 month study which ends September. Results expected October. Potential for 4 year study funded by a grant from USDA.

Rebecca - Love your Alley - interest from other neighborhoods in CMH; 'Alley of the Future' - ideating on how else to bring sustainability to alley improvement / utilization projects. Potential for inclusion of technology -

- **Sept. 7, 6:30-8:00 pm at Jeffrey Mansion:** Alley of the Future Launch Workshop
- **Sept. 28, 6:30-8:00 pm at Jeffrey Mansion:** Alley of the Future Workshop: Ask-an-Expert and Q&A

- **October 6, 5:00-6:30 pm at Bexley City Hall:** Alley of the Future Open Office Hours
- **October 14:** Application Deadline

To Dos:

- Send Elizabeth feedback on [survey](#).
- [Sign up](#) for community event volunteering – if you don't feel confident that you can sort quickly, you can keep Elizabeth company or fulfill other jobs (gather all of the cans, etc.)