

**New Market Green Team
Minutes
April 8, 2019**

Members Present: Jen Runkles, Chair; Dave Mott, Vice Chair; Ashly Wright, Karen Capiella, Jake Romanell.

Guest: Rich Carlisle

Farmers Market: Farmers Market will be held on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month on the front yard of the New Market Elementary School from May 11th through October 27th. Currently there are 11 vendors. Green Team members signed up to be market managers for the dates, on which the markets will be held. The Team will look into using the adjacent Artway lot to accommodate participating wineries. The Team will invite officials for a ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 11th at 9 a.m.

Residential Composting: Green Team is purchasing 10 composting bins. These will be added to the current inventory of 7 bins. The bins can be purchased by Town residents for \$25 and by non-residents for \$33. The Green Team will announce dates when the bins can be purchased at the new Town Hall's garage. The Green Team will look into the Frederick County Sustainability Office's availability to provide a class on how to compost.

Rain Barrels: The Team is in the process of applying for a small grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust. The amount of the grant is \$2,400. The grant will be submitted on June 1st. The Team is keeping Mary Crum of the Scott Key Center (manufacturer of the barrels) and Shannon Moore of the Frederick County Sustainability Office (proctor of the class on the use and relevance of rain barrels) informed of the status of this project. Once the team receives a check from the Chesapeake Bay Trust, it will purchase 40 rain barrels from the Scott Key Center for \$3,200. The Team will charge residents \$20 for each barrel purchased. The Team is projecting a date of sale sometime in early Fall 2019.

Dog Waste Stations: The Team will have a vendor install 9 dog waste stations throughout the Town's Historic District for \$775. The Team will purchase new waste bags from Doody Calls in the very near future.

Bike Trails: Guest, Rich Carlisle, a resident in the Brinkley Manor subdivision, spoke to the Team about establishing a bike trail in the 100 Acre Woods recreation area. He stated that a Mountain Bike non-profit association will pay for the installation of the trail and the association will provide volunteers to maintain the trail. Rich also noted that the trail will be built to national standards. The Green Team noted that the trail would link the Town of New Market's trail system to the Frederick County Trail System along Boyers Mill Rd. The Team recommended that Mr. Carlisle and a representative from the Mountain Bike non-profit association address Town Council at its May 2019 meeting and discuss: Town liability issues; the use of the LOUYAA fields' gated entry; and, the possible extension of the trails onto the adjacent Audubon Society property.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.