



EWING GREEN TEAM

Promoting People, the Planet, and Prosperity in Ewing



EGT MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

ATTENDEES

- Joanne Mallowney, Mark Wetherbee, Ryan Lelache, Lisa Feldman, Heidi Furman, George Steward, Alexis Freiling

WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER

- Ewing Green Team decided to defer to the meeting scheduled for September 2025 to approve the minutes due to limited attendance (no meeting to be held in August)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **National Night Out (NNO):** Scheduled for Tuesday, August 5th from 5:30 – 8:00 PM
- **Bike Ride:** Preparing signage, flyers, and registration forms to bring to NNO
 - Noted that as of the meeting, the online registration is not yet working, need to prepare ahead of NNO and the next newsletter
 - Confirmed that permits for the event were submitted and passed as of the Town Council meeting on July 22nd
 - Confirmed approval of the overall route, 8 yard signs to be placed around town, and 2 rest stops (Ewing Town Center – Heroes' Way and Benjamin Temple House)
- **250 Trees Initiative:** Preparing signage and flyer for NNO, including handout with types of trees that are recommended by EGT; also prepared a matching game for younger guests and will check in storage for items that can be handed out (pencils, etc.)
- **Community Festival (CommFest):** Coming up on October 18th, tables are set up between 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, with call time around 8:00 AM – need to decide if EGT will table, if so will need to work on shifts for people to be at the table
 - Discussed sharing the Native Plant Society's lists at the event, possible cooperation with local native plant suppliers to encourage planting native plant species
- **Clean Communities:**
 - Delaware River Cleanup is scheduled for September 20th from 8:30 – 10:30 AM at Scudder Falls
 - Washington Crossing Riverbank Cleanup is scheduled for August 23rd from 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM



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- **Tree Education (Continuing Ed):** Update that core training from the NJ Shade Tree Federation is available at their upcoming conference on Thursday – Friday October 16th - 17th at Harrah's in Atlantic City, NJ
- **Sustainable Jersey:** Confirmed that all Sustainable Jersey materials for this cycle have been submitted and Ewing Township is eligible for Bronze; we would like to see if we can aim for Silver for 2026
- **The Arts:** First craft show was held at Ewing Town Center earlier this summer, with fairly good attendance overall and 10 vendors in total with tents at the event

NEW BUSINESS

- Guest Speaker from the Rutgers Cooperative Extension – Mercer County, to be discussed and confirmed at our next meeting
- Ongoing updates will be needed for Ewing Township's Community Forestry Management Plan (CFMP) and Environmental / Natural Resource Inventories (ERI/NRI); both expire at End of Year 2026, and meetings will start soon to discuss
 - These were last done in 2016, and the NRI/ERI has a 10 year life span, and the CFMP has a 5-year life span.
- The group discussed the proposed resolution to Town Council in support of New Jersey passing a Climate Superfund Act
- Confirmed that Town Council approved the new chicken ordinance earlier this year; the amended ordinance passed despite requests from some citizens asking to hold passing until further amendments were included

2025 UPCOMING MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS

- Next meeting will be on September 24th at Hollowbrook in the Community Room
- Reminder that no meeting will be held in November and the meeting for December will be Dec 3rd (First Wednesday, due to end of the year holidays)