

Open Space & Brownfields

October 13, 2021

1:00pm-2:00pm

Zoom



Notes

I. Welcome and Introductions

- 12 attendees; 5 Camden residents/businesses

II. Hot Topics

- Takeaways, questions, and comments from "Discussion on Discover the Delaware" – Don Baugh, President of [Upstream Alliance](#)
 - Getting money for environmental stewardship
- Yaffa site at 7th & Chestnut St.
- Lot 1, Block 1
 - Meeting with the AG; Active movement in the judicial sense
 - Need to think about messaging
 - A lot of information going through the process privately; want new news by the end of the year
 - Question: any policy movement on categorizing illegal dumping?
 1. Treat soil differently?
 2. Case by case scheme right now. Not just in Camden but other places throughout the state... now realizing the amount of similar soil situations happening throughout the state
 3. EJ director and Olivia Glenn will be looped in so that it's not just the legal team putting on pressure... there is a need to do more
- [Article](#) came out describing the bacteria monitoring technology being installed around Pyne Poynt Park

III. Park Planning

- Current Issues
 - East Camden Green Rail Buffer Conceptual Design: RFP out
 - Other Park Planning Updates
 1. Looking to have steering committee
 - a. Plan from end of 2020
 - b. Re-engaging group late November so that we can think about moving forward priorities of the parks plan
- Key Next Steps
 - Parks Steering committee meeting

IV. Park Security & Maintenance

- Current Issues
 - ATVs
 - Camera Systems (GovDesigns + Gridless)
- Key Next Steps

V. Brownfields

- Current Issues

- N. Camden Brownfields Assessment Project underway with PS&S: presentation of priority sites
 1. Poet's Row: assessments already done
 2. Empowerment Zone may need to be updated
 3. Goal of the project: to understand development potential of land in North Camden

b. Key Next Steps

- Move ahead with Phase I assessments of priority sites

VI. Programming

a. Current Issues

- Cramer Hill Waterfront Park ribbon cutting November 10th, opening event Nov. 6th (community open house)

1. Ribbon cutting led by state, invites to event are by invitation only
2. However, the Park will be officially open to the public
3. Community Open House: Event to get people to the park, let them know that the park exists

- a. Community tables, hot air balloon, music, fishing, kayaking (12-4 pm)

b. Key Next Steps

VII. Additional Information/Resources

a. Environmental Summit 2021: November 23rd

- Send nominations for Environmental Heroes to mfrankil@camdencpinc.com

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Next Meeting: CCI Open Space & Brownfields Working Group Meeting, November 10th at 1 pm