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March 27, 2024: Monthly Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Tina Weishaus, Lisa Noss, Claudia Farber, Irene Riegner, Mark Lesko, Theo Shiffman, Skip Rogers, Paul Sauers, Alison, Irene Marx, Chris Perez, Rose DeLorenzo, Anisha Yadav, Matt Hersh, Kevin Dougherty

1. Approval of February meeting minutes
2. Theo HS report:
 - a. NJ Student Climate Challenge - trying to win
 - i. 2 projects:
 1. group of students going to farmers market to get vendors to donate unsold food to Elijah's Promise food bank
 2. Composting during lunch and trying to start a share table
 - b. Adopt-a-drain by the hs: **Theo to work on student signups**
 - c. Earth Day: the HS teacher advisor can't be there but SHP would like to help the students to still be there
 - i. Might connect it with someone's global citizenship project
 - ii. Students aren't particularly interested in plastic waste as a topic to present
3. Matt Hersh Borough Council report
 - a. Community energy plan - had a work meeting session last night (3/26) where it was presented. The broadcast will be on the boro website soon & it is also on YouTube.
 - b. Looking into mobile compost at the farmers market. [One Compost](#) would take everything away that day and won't stay on site. Also do terracycle. But, individuals need to pay. They get a can & drop it off, then get an empty can to swap out each week.
 - i. **Matt is going to look into if the borough can include this in the budget next year and pay for this service so residents don't need to pay.**
4. [Electric lawn equipment demo](#) on Sunday, April 14 from 12-3 in Yelencsics Park in Edison

a. Tina to bring event flyers to the Farmers Market on Friday

5. Park Partners Grant

a. We won in the Environment category for Native Plants for Your Garden
(free plant giveaway)

b. Thinking about a Mother's Day activity

**c. Reach out to Chris if you would like to be involved & there will be a
kick-off meeting next week.**

i. Irene R, Irene M, Alison