



Environmental Advisory Committee

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Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Location: 1014 Darby Rd, Havertown, Pa., 19083 - Room C

Time: 7:30 P.M.

EAC AGENDA

Haverford Twp EAC – Wed. April 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm, ConfRmC/Conf. Call

EAC Members 2023-2024: Noel Smyth (1 - Gondek) – Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp) – Amanda Camacho (3 - McClusky) – Melisa Romano (4 - Trombetta) – Victor Barsky (5 - Cavender) – Rob Graff (6 - Holmes) – Henry Eichman (7 - Quinn) – Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart) – Hank Schwab (9 - Wechsler) – EAC Appointees – Steven Clark; Commissioner Liaison – Judy Trombetta; Eileen Mottola - Township Liaison.

1. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval

2. Priority for Action

- Earth Day celebration: Tree/shrub give away, tabling
- Follow up on Haverford Road Diet responses/action
- Update on Plastic Pollution Ordinance: How is it going?
- Other: GCIS mapping training opportunity for EAC volunteers, Composting Grant Implementation, Update on hiring for Special Projects Coordinator position added in Haverford Township, Response from Howard Sherman for County level Community-focused Grants Writer

3. Calendar of EAC or related workshops/events/outreach

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May 18th 7pm: Heat Pump 101 [virtual] (tentative)

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Fall EV (if well attended in Spring)

4. Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee Update. JB, MR

Signs and (half sheet) info scheduled for shredding and Large E-waste events

5. Climate Action Subcommittee Update. SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR to report:

Quarterly Climate Meeting –update, next meeting June 9^h 11am

Solar funding in this bond issue; Refrigerant-containing items picked up for trash:

Residential education info to be added to township website, Change in instruction/education of Public works employees not determined

Township Solar Committee – funding in this bond issue, installation location other than library?

Solarize marketing– (MR, NS, AM, JM), other PR.

Regional municipal/county update (DelCo Sustainability Commission, Solar PPAs).

Expand Residential Tree Canopy - (NS)

Ordinance subcommittee- have not met yet not started (NS, JB, PP, RG)

6. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update. MR, AD, JB, HE to report:

Composting grant award – JB working on RFP for consultant

Beyond the Blue Bin recycling group – 2 yr anniversary

Recycling/Composting Technical Assistance Grant (PA DEP, – still on hold by state)

7. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee: County model ordinance is out

100 Rain Gardens Initiative.

8. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration

9. Superfund Site: Public comment period ended March 15th on new permanent building

10. Volunteer opportunities: Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds., Solarize Delco: Volunteers needed to screen calls/ online support, Waste Diverter

Volunteers for Earth Day, HavTwp Day and other festivals

11. New Business

EAC Minutes

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Guests: *Howard Sherman (UD EAC); Felicia Horowitz (Tree Commission)*

1. Mar 2023 EAC Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval

- *Approved without amendments.*

2. Priority for Action

- Earth Day celebration: Tree/shrub give away, tabling
E. Mottola – reviewed earth day, discussed giveaway of rain barrels; will compose an email (separate) for the rain barrels with videos, diverters – bring diverters; Table presenters: Clean Energy Coop; Solarize DelCo; Haverford Township EAC, DCVA, Haverford High School Environmental club, Haverford Township Shade Tree Commission, Plant Roots; local Realtor; Acre Windows and Doors; Wagner Realty, Games and arts/crafts
- Follow up on Haverford Road Diet responses/action
Commissioner Judy Trombetta communicated prior to the meeting that commissioners/staff will meet with PennDOT and they will present our comments.
- Update on Plastic Pollution Ordinance: How is it going?
A noted hiccup included not communicating the new ordinance outside of our Township that are customers in our businesses.
- Other: GIS mapping training opportunity for EAC volunteers *Hank agreed to participate in this WeConserve opportunity with Joy if our project is chosen, Composting Grant Implementation consultant RFP ready to go. Joy working on detailed scope for USDA,*
- Update on hiring for Special Projects Coordinator position added in Haverford Township: *no hiring has occurred yet. Most of the candidates we new graduates. Response from Howard Sherman for County level Community-focused Grants Writer While there was support of the concept, it was agreed that the EAC would not bring be asking commissioners to support this effort.*

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Need clarification from township manager about eligibility of township building for solar in addition to the Police Garage

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Peter P. stepping down in 2 years, need a continuation plan

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