



Environmental Advisory Committee

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Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, May 03, 2023

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

Time: 7:00 P.M.

EAC Minutes

Haverford Twp EAC – Wed. May 3, 2023 at 7:00 pm, ConfRmC/Conf. Call

Present in italics 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. Peter Hickman; Kelly Murry, Remy Dufresne; Fatima Naser

Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval PSP motion, Hank second, unanimous

1. Priority for Action

- Review of Earth Day celebration: tree/shrub and rain barrel give a ways, advertising, tabling, Recycling Beyond the Blue Bin event. *Successful; some asked a lot of Rain Barrel questions; Peter Hickman will need to see if there is a similar amount of space for trees in the fall. Suggested a summary of trees for Commissioners newsletters and Informed Citizen – psp to draft;*
- Review of 2023 workshops/classes to date and finalizing any Summer/Fall workshops; A suggestion for fewer and better recordings; Covering Electrification devices – driers, hot water heaters, induction stoves. *Havagood due late June.*
- FYI: Influence of Plastic Pollution Ordinance on festivals: *suggested that township have a 1 pager description of impact on festivals to be given at permitting.*
- Compost Grant Implementation – ready to sign grant contract. *Composting firms accepting residential incentives. Consultant RFP is out. For festival composting it would be good to provide food vendors what packaging is regarded compostable.*
- *Joy showed sample recycling lids will use for Twp Day and other festivals.*
- Restarting the process of reviewing and suggesting changes to township ordinances to align with the Climate Action Plan (Volunteers beyond NS, PP, JB, EH, RG very welcome): Stormwater, Native trees required, EV charging, Bicycle parking, Energy star or LEED requirement for large buildings, Green points system for residential and commercial *AC and PH volunteered to also help*
- Update on hiring for Special Projects Coordinator position added in Haverford Township? *4 interviewed before, no decision made.*
- *HHS, planning to continue collecting stuff for thrift store and planning darby creek cleanup.*

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

The website created as suggested in the climate action plan, Haverford Climate Action: **846** visitors in the last 30 days (6572, last 12 mo), our biggest outreach tool

May 8th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

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

June 24th 9am-1pm: Large E-waste event [township building] – signs and info

Summer Haverford Recycling Workshop [virtual] (tentative)

August 26th 8-11am: Shredding event [township building]

October 11th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual] (tentative)

Nov 25th 9am-1pm: Large E-waste event [township building]

Fall 7pm Heat Pump 101 [virtual] (tentative)

Fall EV (if well attended in Spring)

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

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

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

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

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

Meeting being scheduled to discuss specifics

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)

5. **Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update.** MR, AD, JB, HE to report:
Composting grant award –RFP open for consultant
Beyond the Blue Bin recycling group –
Recycling/Composting Technical Assistance Grant (PA DEP,– still on hold by state)
6. **Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:** County model ordinance is out
100 Rain Gardens Initiative.
7. **HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration** - Thanks for participation in the Earth Day Celebration!
8. **Superfund Site:** Public comment period ended March 15th on new permanent building
9. **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 HavTwp Day and other festivals.
10. **New Business**