

EAC AGENDA

Haverford Twp EAC – Wed. Oct 5, 2022 at 7:30 pm, ConfRmC/Conf. Call

EAC Members 2021-2022: Noel Smyth (1 - D'Emilio) – Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp) – Megan Schuster Goold (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

- EAC Summit at the CREC, Oct 22nd 8:30am-4:30pm Register to attend. There is a \$65 fee that covers room and food. Sponsored by WeConserve
- Vote on suggested parking ordinance change to the township involving the current low emission vehicle (LEV) parking at the CREC (more info at end of agenda)
- Possibility of a November pumpkin collection for animal feed to animals at Lindenhof Farm, an Oakmont Farmer's market vendor
- Volunteers needed to put out EAC info signs polling locations

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

The website created as suggested in the climate action plan: **530** visitors in the last 30 days (5518 total), our biggest outreach tool

Oct 10th: Composting Workshop

Oct 22nd 8am-4pm: EAC Summit CREC

Nov 8th: Outreach signs exiting election polls

Nov 26th: Large E-waste event, Signs and outreach for people dropping off E-waste

4. Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee Update. MSG, JB, MR (No updates)

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

Quarterly Climate Meeting – next meeting Dec 9th 11am

- Meeting scheduled morning of Oct 5th with Dan Mariani about reliability & cost savings of hybrids on township fleet and recommendations for future vehicles

Twp Bldg energy conservation study – (EM)

Township Solar Committee – Still awaiting update

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

Clean Energy Co-op - Suggested that HTSD does funding on its own because of the new law (JB)

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

Expand Residential Tree Canopy - (NS)

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

Beyond the Blue Bin recycling group –Recycling continuing, new signs posted on Twp Bins

- Recycling/Composting Technical Assistance Grant (PA DEP, need to submit in July)– only \$7500 “Logistical technical assistance on how to implement curbside composting collection and pay-as-you-throw programs in Haverford Township” – still on hold by state
- Composting ordinance likely to be reviewed at the November Commissioners meeting

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

Updated Stormwater / Curb Connection Ordinance and Twp. Subdivision Design Standards).

100 Rain Gardens Initiative. 5 Fall rain garden installs in process - - volunteers needed, leftover raingarden grant money

8. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration

HHS Liaison on HHS Env. Club on planned and possible future collaboration projects.

9. Superfund Site: No update on the EPA 5-year evaluation report.

10. Volunteer opportunities: Solarize Delco: Volunteers needed to screen calls, Board member(s) (especially treasurer), Volunteer who drives/takes bus to King of Prussia to deliver items to “Beyond the blue bin” items to Nordstrom., Waste Diverter Volunteers for HavTwp Day, EAC Summit Volunteers, Nov/May Signs for Polls

11. New Business

Background on Low Emission Vehicle Parking at the CREC

Two years ago, the EAC requested an ordinance update (concurrent with a request for EV charging parking enforcement) to allow enforcement of the current “Low Emission Vehicle” parking area at the CREC, which was implemented to achieve LEED Bronze certification “equivalent”. It is not legally enforceable and usually full of high emission vehicles. The Township said they would consider it a later date. At the Quarterly Climate Meeting in September, we brought up the parking at the CREC. A discussion between EAC members made it clear that the topic was worth revisiting at the next EAC meeting. The vote of the EAC on this topic will decide if changes to the current status are suggested at the next Quarterly Climate Meeting for reassessment by the township.

Vote proposed.

[Ordinance change \(below\) providing for enforcement of "Zero Emission Vehicle \(ZEV\)" parking areas on township property with a likely change in signage.](#)

Arguments:

For change in ordinance to enforce ZEV parking.

High emission vehicles parked in the low emission spots normalizes the ignoring signs in general and may discourage CREC attendance by people who own low emission vehicles. LEED criteria have evolved away from "low emission vehicles" which is a vague and hard to understand term. Preferred parking may bring attention to the existence of EVs to those who are not aware of them and is consistent with the Township's intent to follow LEED certification criteria. Changing the current signs to ZEV parking would be a Township decision.

Against

ZEVs have become a lot more mainstream and better parking spots at the CREC may not persuade individuals to purchase electric cars. If the parking spots are unlikely to persuade individuals to purchase an electric or low emission cars, perhaps the benefit of the signs may be to draw attention to the fact that low emissions vehicles exist. Since that is already the current situation, it is not worth the time to pursue the ordinance change or money in getting new signage.

ORDINANCE NO. Pxx-2022

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD, COUNTY OF DELAWARE, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FURTHER AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING ORDINANCE NO. 1960, ADOPTED JUNE 30, 1986, AND KNOWN AS “GENERAL LAWS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD” CHAPTER 175, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Haverford, County of Delaware, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. § 175-32. Parking on public property.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to park any motor vehicle on any public property of the Township of Haverford in parking areas restricted and otherwise reserved for official use by Township officials and employees.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to park or otherwise leave unattended any motor vehicle on any grounds or parking areas of the Township of Haverford, except persons conducting Township-related business, between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., Monday through Sunday, and as further set forth in § 175-32I(3).
- C. For purposes of this section, Township-related business includes the use of all Township facilities at the Municipal Complex, including the Skatium and adjacent parks and fields.
- D. It shall be unlawful to park or otherwise leave unattended any motor vehicle on any grounds or parking areas of the Township of Haverford for periods exceeding three hours, except persons conducting Township-related business
- E. This section shall not apply to public parking areas designated as such with parking meters.
- F. Any motor vehicle found on public property of the Township of Haverford in violation of this section shall be removed and impounded as provided in Article IX.
- G Regulations controlling and restricting the movement and parking of vehicles are hereby established upon all parking lots, parks, playgrounds and other municipally owned or leased properties in accordance with this chapter and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 126, Public Parks and Playgrounds, § 126-3, General regulations governing parks, Subsection H.
- H. For purposes of this section, an "electric vehicle charging station" means a public parking space that is served by charging equipment that has as its primary purpose the transfer of electric energy to a battery or other energy storage device in an electric vehicle.
- I. Any parking space with an electric charging station used for charging plug-in electric drive vehicles must have signage indicating that the space is for the exclusive use of plug-in electric drive vehicles. Only plug-in electric drive vehicles may park in such parking spaces, subject to the following limitations:
 - (1) The use of a charging station shall be available on a first-come first-serve basis.
 - (2) All vehicles parked in a space containing an electric vehicle charging station must be connected to and using the charging station equipment to charge the vehicle.
 - (3) Plug-in electric drive vehicles may be parked in electric vehicle charging station spaces, while charging, between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.
 - (4) It shall be unlawful to park or otherwise leave unattended any motor vehicle at an electric vehicle charging station for periods exceeding three hours.
- *J. Any parking space reserved for a “Zero-Emission Vehicle” must have signage indicating that the space is for the exclusive use of Zero-Emission Vehicles”.

(1) For the purpose of this ordinance, a “Zero-Emission Vehicle” or “ZEV” means a vehicle that does not directly produce atmospheric emissions of any criteria pollutant (or precursor pollutant) or greenhouse gas under any possible operational modes or conditions, such as a Battery Electric Vehicle. A hybrid vehicle or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle is not a zero emission vehicle.

(2) It shall be unlawful to park or otherwise leave unattended any motor vehicle at an in a space reserved for a “Zero-Emission Vehicle” except for a “Zero-Emission Vehicle”.

K. (5) The owner of any vehicle in violation of this section may be issued a citation and shall be subject to a \$100~~25~~ fine for each day of violation. In addition, the vehicle in violation of this section may be towed at the owner's expense.

SECTION 2. Upon effective date of this ordinance, the Highway Department shall install appropriate signs in the designated section or zones giving notice of the regulations aforesaid.

SECTION 3. Any ordinance or part of an ordinance to the extent that it is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

ADOPTED this day of October, A.D., 2022.

TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD

**BY: Larry Holmes
 President
 Board of Commissioners**

**Attest: David R. Burman
 Township Manager/Secretary**