



Environmental Advisory Commission Regular Meeting Agenda

Location: 1014 Darby Rd, Havertown PA 19083

Room B

Date: Wednesday March 02, 2022

Time: 7:30 P.M.

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

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Melisa to present on Terracycle/Alternative recycling scope

Stormwater ordinance update

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4. **Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee Update.** MSG, JB, MR to report on upcoming plans.
 January's Recycling and Composting workshops are now available on Haverford TV Schedule other events that are in line with CAP?
 5. **Climate Action Subcommittee Update.** SC, MSG, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR to report:
 Quarterly Climate Meeting – Upcoming Climate Sub-Committee to be held March 11th: Discuss hiring of Sustainability Manager, RFP for energy audits, RFP for solar, Discuss ongoing police vehicles – how to make sure hybrids meet needs.
 Twp Bldg energy conservation study status – RFP reviewed and given back to Township.
 Township Solar Committee – RFP drafted but township has not yet issued (JB, NS).
 Solarize marketing –(MR, NS, AM, JM), other PR.
 Clean Energy Co-op preparing for meeting with HTSD consultant on potential Lynnewood Elementary School project.
 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:
 Composting ordinance update – HE.
 TerraCycle community group
 Fire Extinguisher recycling via Terracycle/Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Haverford update.
 7. **Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:** PSP, HE to report on progress:
 Updated Stormwater / Curb Connection Ordinance and Twp. Subdivision Design Standards (H. Eichman).
 100 Rain Gardens Initiative. Helping DCVA 50 RG project, spring gardens assessments.
 8. **HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration**
 HHS Liaison on HHS Env. Club on planned and possible future collaboration projects.
 9. **Long-Term/Tabled Items**
 Contributions to Township Newsletters 2/4/22 (April - July), 6/3 (Aug – Nov) 10/7 (Dec-March).
 Recreation Department's HavaGood Times (3/15/22, 9/15/22, 12/15/22).
 Friends of EAC Website: www.HaverfordClimateAction.org.
 Superfund Site: No update on the EPA 5 year evaluation report.
 10. **New Business**



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*participated by web/conference call.

Approval of Minutes

Prior Meeting Minutes Approval (by): motion J. Baxter; seconded V. Barsky; unanimous.

Priority Topics

Plastic Bag Ordinance: Discussion of key points so EAC members can be ambassadors, development of FAQ to aid commissioners in responding to constituent questions—First reading and commissioner Vote March 14th, Second reading and vote, April 12th. Peter started an FAQ based off West Chester's FAQ, utilizing emailed questions forwarded from commissioners.

ACTION: Peter to complete FAQ

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For outreach: E. Mattola offered to add more videos to the cable news station and podcasts.

E. Mattola suggested we ask the civic council to add EAC info to their newsletter. J. Baxter suggested a bus station stop, to use when they do not have someone to fill the stop.

For Shade trees: N. Smyth attended Mondays shade tree meeting to discuss collaboration. Jim and Noel suggested starting with Manor road area, that has lost a lot of trees over the years. Will plan a pilot with the local civic organizations.

- Overlapping prioritization with infrastructure bill funding for implementing new programs? We are not sure of how to utilize money.

ACTION: C. Nelson will find out more about the infrastructure bill

ACTION: Peter to find out county planning will model an ordinance update

ACTION: Hank to Find out what is meant by sewer vent extension in climate action plan, Sam Krakow offered to help. Peter looked it up now and did not see a connection with climate. We decided to not prioritize this.

Sam has electrified his home and will help Steve with an electrification webinar also.

Melisa and Joy presented on Terracycle/Alternative recycling scope- showed examples, informed drop off locations are at residential homes, with outside 24/7 access to drop off and recommended to email havswitch for updates

Stormwater ordinance update: H. Eichman suggested we use Tredyffrin's ordinance

Social Media Outreach Subcommittee (AD, MSG, JM, MR) no update

Climate Action Subcommittee (SC, MSG, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR)

Climate Action Plan Update/Actions: Discussion documented above.

Township Solar Committee (JB, NS, PSP, V. Donnay, J. Leith): No update.

Shade Trees: Shade Tree committee was unaware of increase in trees in climate plan update, and upset no one asked them before putting in climate action plan. Jeanne Angel and Noel Smyth attended shade tree meeting on 2/28 with intent to request forming a subcommittee to expand tree canopy. Shade tree was supportive.

Solarize Outreach/PR/"Marketing": Looking for Volunteer to help fix Wordpress/mailchimp issues on Solarize webpage still. Howard Sherman volunteered to help field calls. Still, looking for a treasurer and more board members for Tavas/Solarize Delco. Tavas has applied for a doing as business for solarize delco, so now they are one in the same. C. Nelson suggested doing another repeat solar webinar. M. Romano discussed future plans to offer a small grant for low income installation, we could do a webinar on that. (talk to N. Smyth if interested in volunteering to be on the board).

Clean Energy Coop – SE Chapter (J. Baxter): No update.

Delaware County Sustainability Commission (S. Clark) – No update.

RF100 Regional Activities: No update.

EVs and EVSEs (charging stations): Eileen to get a sign EV charging "coming soon sign" at the CREC

Quarterly Climate Meeting: Held Dec. 10. Next meeting scheduled for March 11. J. Baxter recommended need to focus on Police fleet transition. P. Puglionesi said it was a reliability issue why they are not on board with an EV/hybrid. S. Krakow suggested a tesla model 3; P. Puglionesi said they need a larger vehicle for equipment. J. Lazzaro said the car run all shift long, with computers plugged in and then cars can be transferred to the next patrolling officer, therefore making charging an issue.

E. Mattola received a list of solar in the township, but there are still incomplete homes.

ACTION: E Mattola to forward the spreadsheet.

Regional Municipal/County Solar PPA: No update. **Regional Collaboratives:** No update.

School District Update: No update.

Green Business Award: No updates. Need a volunteer to work on this with HPED.

HHS Collaboration (J. Mintzer, A. Meloni): J. Mintzer attended DVCA meeting and looking to collaborate. HS meeting next Thursday. Creek clean up at Merry Place last Sunday.

Recycling and Composting Subcommittee (JB, HE, VB, NS, MR)

Composting Dropoff Pilot – No update.

Trex School Recycling Competition: No update.

Lynnewood Green Team: Requested volunteers to start back up; did not have any interest in M. Romano's suggestions to support bag ban, planting around new building or collecting for terracycle. School suggested the focus be on: 1) reducing cafeteria waste 2) school grounds (litterfree) 3) earth day project

E-Waste Recycling and Shredding: E-waste scheduled June 25 and Nov 26.

Terracycle: The personal Care program (site at township building) changed guidelines from any brand to brand specific: Garnier. To keep it any brand we are looking to utilize a public drop off site at the Nordstrom in the King of Prussia mall. Looking for a volunteer to drive and drop off.

ACTION: M. Romano to follow up with volunteers to request redemption of accrued points for deadline of 4/15/22. Points are redeemed for monetary value twice a year (April/October). These funds are held in the Climate Action Committee account, through the Haverford Civic Council. We have a -\$134 balance for the website domain fee for HaverfordClimateAction.org

Smoke Alarm/Fire Extinguisher Proposal: L. Mittleman has dropped of 9 in 2 monthly trips so far.

Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee (DL, PSP, HE, DH, DS, NS)

Updates to Stormwater/Curb Connection Ordinance and Twp. Subdivision Design Standards (H.Eichman): update provided above under Priority Actions.

Rain Gardens: Rain Garden Workshop WEBINAR Saturday, March 12, 9 am-Noon

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission grant opportunity to reduce VMT. No update.

Upcoming Events

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Oct 19: EAC Coordination / Summit 6:30-9:00 pm, save the day.

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Christina Mann / Eileen Mottola. Township is due 2/4 (April - July), 6/3 (Aug – Nov) 10/7 (Dec-March). Rec. Department's HavaGood Times is due 3/15(April), 7/15(Sept), 12/15. HavaGood has been submitted early and we missed the deadline

EAC Annual Report:

ACTION: NEED A VOLUNTEER to prepare brief annual reports.

Long-Term/Tabled Items

EAC Coordination/Summit (Wed., Oct. 20, 2020-6:00-8:30). Need to issue minutes

Superfund Site: No update on the EPA 5 year evaluation report. Emailed Update from EPA Remedial Site Manager, Josh Barber was sent to EAC members.

I wanted to give you a heads up in case you get any inquiries about EPA. We're in the process of conducting packer tests on several large boreholes throughout the site, mostly on our property, YMCA, and Tony Roni's. Our subcontractor encountered LNAPL (high-concentration PCP oils) in one boring late last week. The packer testing equipment needs to be decontaminated b/w each boring, and the LNAPL adds an extra layer of effort. We also have a health and safety aspect for those crew working over the hole or doing decon. So, we are going to be taking an air sample from the decon material and the decon crew will be wearing Level C PPE, i.e., Tyvek, heavy duty gloves, respirator (not SCBA). The decon area is located on our property behind the current temp plant which is housed by the very large tent. We have a secondary containment unit set up and it will not be an issue to implement. However, someone who sees crew out there in Tyvek and respirators may raise questions. This happened before when Mr. Storage was digging for the SWM system. So, I just wanted to let you all know in case anyone asks. Rep. Vitali previously asked about the temp plant building and its appearance, which tells me that he or one of his staff pass by there sometimes too.

This type of decon and PPE will only be for borings that have LNAPL, but it's not clear if any remaining borings will meet this criteria. It may be a non-issue. It also should all be completed by NLT 3/11/22.

New Business

S. Krakow inquired about retrofitting fossil fuels for new builds or banning new fossil fueled construction. P. Puglionesi replied we are working on a green point system to encourage and incentivize reduction in fossil fuels.

V. Barsky noted Philadelphia purchased 5 new electric buses

Motion to adjourn J. Baxter, P. Hickman seconded.

Next Meeting / Conference Call

2022 Schedule: 7:30 pm; 1st Wednesday of Month, beginning Jan. 5th, exceptions TBD.

