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Environmental Advisory Committee
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Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, January 03, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

January 2024 Meeting Agenda

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EAC Minutes

Haverford Twp. EAC – Wed. January 3, 2024 at 7:00 pm, ConfRmC/Conf. Call

1. Attendance

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2. Reorganization

Joy and Peter were elected as co-chairs.

3. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval

Approved.

4. Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator

Spoke to P&R about testing electric leaf blowers, they are open to trying out some of the new products. Want a longer period of time than they are currently allowing. Want to see what a workday is like, maybe rent one. Need some research on what products are best on the market. Maybe a visit to a municipality that has already adopted. Alexis to forward the research that was done by Joy on products.

Commissioners approved putting Solarize DelCo on the website.

Dave sent a report on the library for a solar array. Alexis will send. Payback is 17.2 years, which is longer than desired.

Township design vendors are not following the Climate Action Plan – example, the library renovation is implementing fossil fuel heating. There is no accountability at the Township level.

EAC discussed a plan for every heating system to be replaced with a non-fossil fuel solution. This was discussed so that when they fail, there is a plan

to implement. The Energy Audit will give a guide of expected lifetimes of equipment.

5. Priority for Action

Preliminary Discussion on Drafting EV Parking Ordinance

As part of the Climate Action Plan, we are proposing an EV Parking Ordinance as next priority. Charging at street is a priority. We reviewed the Lower Merion ordinance.

Action for Rob G. to follow up with DVRPC.

Suggestion to breakout to a subcommittee meeting to formulate a proposed solution.

Update on Volunteer Appreciation Event

Preliminary Date: Friday, April 12th, 6:30-8pm

100 people max, Carlino's catering, save the date and/or evites will be sent first to most recent volunteers in EAC, Parks and Rec, Shade Tree Commission, and Tree Tenders

Requested PECO to participate for energy assessments

Discussion of Battery Collection

Alexis spoke to Maurice about diverting functional TVs, but this complexity is challenging for the e-waste team. They suggested a separate event.

They also note batteries are complicated and expensive to take. Only specific batteries can be taken, and it may be best to be a separate event.

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7. Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee Update – JB, MR

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8. Climate Action Subcommittee Update – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting – Next meeting is 3/8/24.

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL – Car canopies being investigated by Township.

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM – other PR

Regional Municipal/County Update (DelCo Sustainability Commission, Solar PPAs)

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – (NS)

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG

9. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update – MR, AD, JB, HE

Compost Grant Implementation

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group – Monthly updates sent by MR.

Melisa went to the school board meeting to provide communication for the recycle programs, meeting in two weeks to talk to school board.

10. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee – County model ordinance is out.

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Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds

Solarize DelCo volunteers needed to screen calls / provide online support

14. New Business

Ask for Judy to recognize Mr. Orner for the pumpkin collection.

As per her email, Judy did not have any updates for the Bike Ordinance, it's pending the board re-org.

Question: Can we control fertilizer? We do have an ordinance requiring the clean-up of fertilizer from hard surfaces.

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Meeting Minutes- Review/Approval (Approved unanimously)

Monthly Update from Alexis DeSanti, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
Bread bag tag collection tube is installed, and ready for communication plan.

Glass Bin coming back in April for the month, \$1,500 for 3 to 4 Tons. Not out of EAC budget.

EWaste Bins, rough estimates, it looks like admin collects 525 and Crec 87 per week. About 31850 lbs. for year. Great numbers.

DVRPC and EV charging station program. More conversation to come on these.

Priority for Action

Discussion of battery collection

There is possibility we could do a drop off collection at the township building. Do we want to spend EAC budget on this.

Does not include lead acid.

Should we do a collection event where the collection can be monitored?

Alexis to contact Radnor on how they do this, Peter to send contact info.

Initially offer battery recycling at Earth Day and Haverford Township Day

Residential solar installations increased in 2023: 53 new installs, previous years averaged around 20-30, totaling 216 in township [already exceeded CAP goal] – positive press to keep trend going?

Proposal to send communications to continue to build momentum

The State of Stormwater Symposium: Programs and Fees in a post-West Chester Landscape -Feb 28th 9-11am, register now

Peter to tentatively attend, Alexis maybe attending.

Pennoni will be providing update on stormwater ordinance as well

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Subcommittee tomorrow at 3. Save the date flyer to go out soon. At CREC.

Peter to send the list of the rain garden volunteers to Joy.

Continued discussion on Drafting EV Parking Ordinance

Joy to remind Rob to work on this.

Berkley only allowed for people without driveway.

Other cities are requiring no structure in the ROW but run a cord across sidewalk with cover over cord.

Concern over the potential neighbor disputes that may evolve from this type of setup.
Continue to explore options

This Saturday trail summit at the CREC, over 100 signups. Could use some help, let peter know.

Need a guest speaker on pollinators (April 24th)

Larry Walters wants to do a blog on natural yards. He may be interested.

Aurora might be an option or suggest someone

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

Expand Residential Tree Canopy -

Ordinance subcommittee- (AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG)

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

Compost Grant Implementation 29 new households completed trial in Q4, 2 households partially completed trial in Q4, 27 new households completed trial in Q3, 2 households partially. 23 new backyard composters since start of Grant. Consultant report coming soon.

Can apply for a no costs extension.

Beyond the Blue Bin recycling group – Monthly updates sent by MR

Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:

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Public Comment/New Business

Vote to fund the terra cycle razor collection for \$13 per year.

Tree Lottery, we need more people to put trees out front. 120 trees, 12 varieties. April 20th tree pickup.

Swarthmore College is exploring opportunities for a multi-municipal community charging application through the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program. EACs already in the conversation include Swarthmore, Media, Springfield, Morton, and Upper Darby. If this is of interest to EAC, please let me know, so I may make the proper connections.

Coming from the county. Federal grant.

If we are interested in earning more, meeting Feb 21, 11-1230 in Swarthmore. Last year the program opened in March, closed in June, there is cost share component.

We are interested and will send someone to the meeting.

Radnor is signed on

Multipurpose housing and visitors would be the target audience

DVRPC is leading a regional benchmarking program, in which they are seeking pilot municipalities to implement energy benchmarking. This would be very similar to Philadelphia's program but adapted for regional implementation across a variety of municipalities. They are looking for about 1 more municipality to join from Delco (Radnor is currently signed on). Any interest to participate?

DVRPC looking to benchmark energy use. Just a pilot, not a commitment, explore how it would work. Would be helpful for the program. If we are interested, someone is available to talk more about this.

DVRPC is cooling on this but if we are interested in trying it out, they may be interested. Potential ordinance in the future. What is the township commitment? Some amount of time of people in township to participate. Alexis can talk to Township mgr to evaluate. But this is not a high priority for us now.

Library parking

Alexis to followup on proposal to install EV conduit

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

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Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval

Approved.

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
Earth Day April 20 – what tables to plan for? CREC parking lot, tree planting

EAC Table

Solarize Delco

Clean Energy Co-op

EV display

8 to 10 maple trees taking down in Veterans Park –

They were dead, Tree Tenders is replacing (email after meeting)

Priority for Action

Update from Kate Ferry of KRF Environmental who has performed an analysis of potential curbside composting in the township as a service. This would serve as an opportunity to ask questions before the final presentation to the Commissioners at the April 1st working session.

Assessed feasibility, cost benefit for both in house and third party.

Media has curbside

Detailed review of recommendations, going to the April Commissioners working session

Can apply for grant which are due in May this year.

Judy reflected the proposed timeline is probably too aggressive, maybe push to 2025 start. Costs outlined are not concerning.

One-day trash pickup may also cause concern.

Plan to start proposed implementation in Spring 2025

DRAFT Stormwater ordinance (except Appendixes) has been received from Pennoni and will be reviewed to see if the draft ordinance matches with the Climate Action Plan goals and best practices by subcommittee later this month - tabled

Discussion and possible vote on increased costs for paid Beautycycle Terracycle program (10 per year x \$345 = \$3450 per year), free Nordstrom Terracycle program, or discontinuation of our program. -tabled

Update from meeting on multimunicipal EV Charging grant -tabled

Invitations have gone out. for the Volunteer Appreciation Event: Friday, April 12th 6:30-8pm, Currently 50+ have RSVPed 100 p max, Carlino's catering, most recent volunteers in EAC, Parks and Rec, Shade Tree Commission, and Tree Tenders, free Energy Assessments available for attendees - tabled

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Tabled discussion on Drafting EV Parking Ordinance

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2. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval

Minutes approved unanimously.

3. Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator

Composting proposal going to the commissioners.

EV charging for CREC going to bid, plans for the police dept.

4. Priority for Action

Recap from Composting Presentation by Kate Ferry at Commissioners Work Session, April 1st

Kate recommended using a third-party service followed by in-house solution in a couple of years. Will need to go through the budget process which affects the timing. We should know after the budget. Utilization of Curbside composting incentives was lower than anticipated, looking to increase the incentive next month. More advertising to go out as well. Ordered the compostable materials and updated the website

Volunteer Appreciation Event: Friday, April 12th 6:30-8pm, free Energy Assessments available for attendees

Several attendees to be thanked at the event (pumpkin lead volunteer Randy Orner, and a few additional)

Earth Day at the CREC , April 20th 9am-noon: Discuss details

Not yet asked for the Rivian to attend. EAC tabling, Solarize Delco, several volunteers were noted. Alexis to confirm how many tables are available.

Suggested revisions to the DRAFT Stormwater ordinance reviewed to see if the draft ordinance matches with the Climate Action Plan goals and best practices.

Main comments are related to our climate action plan, the draft does not meet it yet. People are not to connect downspouts to sewer or stormwater. It is not a pre-condition to resolve before selling. Another part addresses what is checked at that time, so we can suggest for that change. Also want a development spec for green installed infra.

How to hold the municipality in accordance with the standards. Alexis to check on this with the township codes dept to understand what the case is today. And if not, how to add this requirement.

Open invitation for anyone who wants to take a look at.

Discussion and vote on increased costs for paid Beautycycle Terracycle program (10 per year x \$345 = \$3450 per year), free Nordstrom Terracycle program, Rabbit recycling, or discontinuation of our program.

Robust discussion regarding the pros and cons of the bc program.

Unanimous vote to phase out the bc program, high cost vs the marginal benefit was driving factor Update from meeting on multimunicipal EV Charging grant

Joy attended a meeting. Consulting company that does the grants. The grants are heavily skewed towards EJ communities, all the grants have gone there. Does not look promising in the near term but may in the future as the EJ communities have progressed more.

Grants coming for multi house communities. Could be an opportunity for us to educate them now.

Update on EV Parking Ordinance

Not all cords are allowed to cross the pavement in Portland Oregon, only level 1.

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No updates discussed this meeting.

7. Climate Action Subcommittee Update – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting

Next meeting is 6/14/24.

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL

No updates discussed this meeting.

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM

No updates discussed this meeting.

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – NS

No updates discussed this meeting.

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG

No updates discussed this meeting.

8. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update – MR, AD, JB, HE

Compost Grant Implementation 29 new households completed trial in Q4, 2 households partially completed trial in Q4, 27 new households completed trial in Q3, 2 households partially. 23 new backyard composters since start of Grant.

Beyond the Blue Bin recycling group – Monthly updates sent by MR

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

100 Rain Gardens Initiative. New Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator(s) needed for 2025.

10. HHS Liaison on Environmental Club Collaboration

No updates this meeting.

11. Superfund Site

No updates this meeting.

12. Volunteer Opportunities

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Still looking for Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator for 2025.

Still looking to expand Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds.

13. New Business

The township sustainability award from county, will be at the sustainability conference.

Superfund update.

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, May 01, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Public Comment
3. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval
4. Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
5. Priority for Action
6. Calendar of EAC or related workshops/events/outreach
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7. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update
8. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:
9. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration
10. Superfund Site
11. Volunteer opportunities
12. Public Comment / New Business

Adjourn

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, May 01, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Minutes

Joy Baxter called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Roll call was taken.

Attendance

Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp), William Hitchcock (3 - McClusky), Victor Barsky (5 - Cavender), Henry Eichman (7 - Quinn), Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart), Hank Schwab (9 - McCollum), Judy Trombetta (Commissioner Liaison), Alexis De Santi (Township Liaison)

April 24 Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval – Approved unanimously

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator: 132 trees planted, glass may be collected to go to aeroaggregates soon – paperwork is being finalized: free bin, picked up 1x/wk

Priority for Action

Review of Volunteer Appreciation Event: repeat each year, every other year?

Formal event every year, info tables at food line, Friday night, early April

Review Earth Day at the CREC: Suggested changes for next year? Combining neigh. events?

Oakmont School? Partner with Kelly Center? If we wish to expand the event, then we need to partner with an Event coordinator.

Alexis to talk with Parks and Rec

Discussed process and who can help lead of bike rack installation in the Township

Volunteer needed to be Green Zone Representative for Haverford Township Day

Victor Barsky

Suggested revisions to the DRAFT Stormwater ordinance reviewed to see if the draft ordinance matches with the Climate Action Plan goals and best practices.

No update on EV Parking Ordinance

Calendar of EAC or Related Workshops/Events/Outreach

The website was created as suggested in the Climate Action Plan. It is our biggest outreach tool.

Haverford Climate Action: 1480 visitors in the last 30 days (9103, last 12 months)

April 5th-May 3rd Glass Collection for Recycling in Township Building lower lot

May 8th 7pm: Heat Pump 101/ How to cut fossil fuels in your home: Heat Pumps, Electric Lawn Equipment, and Home Electrification [virtual]

May 13th Haverford Recycling Workshop, Haverford Adult School

May 15th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

June 15th 9am-1pm: Large E-Waste Event [Township Building]

Summer Haverford Recycling Workshop [virtual]

August 24th 8-11am: Shredding Event [Township Building]

October 5th: Haverford Township Day

October 10th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

October 16th 7pm: Heat Pump 101 / How to Cut Fossil Fuels in Your Home: Heat Pumps for HVAC and Water Heating, and Home Electrification

Pumpkin Collection

Fall Haverford Recycling Workshop [Haverford Adult School]

Nov 23rd 9am-1pm: Large E-Waste Event [Township Building]

Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee – JB, MR

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

Climate Action Subcommittee – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting: Next meeting 6/14/24

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL Car canopies are being investigated by the Township.

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM: Solarize Delco will appear on new HavTwp environmental page.

Regional Municipal / County Update

Not discussed at this meeting

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – NS

Not discussed at this meeting

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG

Not discussed at this meeting

Recycling and Composting Subcommittee – MR, AD, JB, HE

Composting Grant Implementation: Now 4 months free curbside compost service

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group: Monthly updates sent by MR

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

100 Rain Gardens Initiative. New Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator(s) needed for 2025.

HHS Liaison on Environmental Club Collaboration

Not discussed at this meeting

Superfund Site

Not discussed at this meeting

Volunteer Opportunities: Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator 2025, Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds; Solarize Delco: Volunteers

needed to screen calls/ online support.

Public Comment / New Business

No public comment

The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, June 05, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval
3. Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
4. Priority for Action
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6. Climate Action Subcommittee Update
7. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update
8. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:
9. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration
10. Superfund Site
11. Volunteer opportunities
12. Public Comment / New Business

Adjourn

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, June 05, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Minutes

Joy Baxter called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Roll call was taken.

Attendance

Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp), William Hitchcock (3 - McClusky), Victor Barsky (5 - Cavender), Rob Graff (6 - Holmes), Henry Eichman (7 - Quinn), Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart), Hank Schwab (9 - McCollum), Judy Trombetta (Commissioner Liaison), Alexis De Santi (Township Liaison), Alice Grunt - Citizen

May 24 Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval - Approved unanimously

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator: EV charging infra for public workshop in western PA, will share slides after workshop. Bike Racks locations, the resolution going to commissioners in upcoming meeting, then will purchase. Discussion pending with Dominic from Republic to confirm our recycling questions. They have conflicting messaging on the website from what we communicate to residents.

Priority for Action

Review and Vote on EAC responses to DRAFT Stormwater ordinance and related ordinances

Vote to nominate Peter, Joy and Will to review the stormwater ordinance changes and provide recommendations and submit the comments to the commissioners. Motion to Approve: Rob, Joy Second, Approved Unanimously.

Volunteer(s) needed to help give out info at Large E-waste event, Sat June 15th 9am-1pm (portion) (volunteers identified)

Send out information on the Riparian buffers to HavTwp households living on creeks - EAC budget? Person to determine addresses? (person volunteered to identify households- who?) William Hitchcock

Update on EV Parking Ordinance (tabled)

Calendar of EAC or Related Workshops/Events/Outreach

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Haverford Climate Action: 957 visitors in the last 30 days (9615, last 12 months)

June 1st-Sept 6th Glass Collection for Recycling in Township Building lower lot

June 15th 9am-1pm: Large E-Waste Event [Township Building]

Summer Haverford Recycling Workshop [virtual]

August 24th 8-11am: Shredding Event [Township Building]

October 5th: Haverford Township Day

October 10th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

October 16th 7pm: Heat Pump 101 / How to Cut Fossil Fuels in Your Home: Heat Pumps for HVAC and Water Heating, and Home Electrification

Pumpkin Collection

Fall Haverford Recycling Workshop [Haverford Adult School]

Nov 23rd 9am-1pm: Large E-Waste Event [Township Building]

Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee – JB, MR

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

Climate Action Subcommittee – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting: Next meeting 3/8/24

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL Car canopies being investigated by township.

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM: Solarize Delco will appear on new HavTwp environmental page.

Regional Municipal / County Update

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – NS

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG

Recycling and Composting Subcommittee – MR, AD, JB, HE

Composting Grant Implementation: Now 4 months free curbside compost service

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group: Monthly updates sent by MR

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

100 Rain Gardens Initiative. New Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator(s) needed for 2025.

HHS Liaison on Environmental Club Collaboration

Superfund Site

Volunteer Opportunities: Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator 2025, Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds., Solarize Delco: Volunteers needed to screen calls/ online support.

Public Comment / New Business: none

The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, July 03, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval
3. Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
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8. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:
9. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration
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11. Volunteer opportunities
12. Public Comment / New Business

Adjourn

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, July 03, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Minutes

Joy Baxter called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Roll call was taken.

Attendance

Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp), William Hitchcock (3 - McClusky), Melisa Romano (4 - Trombetta), Victor Barsky (5 - Cavender), Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart), Hank Schwab (9 - McCollum), Judy Trombetta (Commissioner Liaison), Alexis De Santi (Township Liaison), Alice Grunt (Citizen)

June 24 Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval – Approved unanimously

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator:

EAC is invited to July 8 meeting, DelCo sustainability office will be present, Environmental365 website is now live on havtwp.org - Alexis is asking for EAC to take a look and provide feedback. Opportunity for volunteer coordination with High School environmental club: Kyle Gaumann and Joy's daughter friend are club members, Also the Young Democrats may be interested. Alexis asked for EAC to write up language for Solarize DelCo

Priority for Action

Review and Vote on letter to Commissioners and Twp Manager about the need for a separate engineering contractor dedicated to stormwater and environmental engineering - Due to several issues noted by EAC with Pennoni's stormwater ordinance update and ongoing environmental projects. Discussion about the political process of selecting/recommending Pennoni to the Twp Manager. Discussion of Pennoni's lack of communication with Twp and lack of public/DVCA input on environmental projects. Discussion of language and questions to be included in the letter.

Motion to send the letter following edits by Alexis, Joy, second Peter

Approved unanimously

Push for composting as a service in Haverford Twp. Alexis was to speak with Dave about an RFP for composting service. Discussion of different providers and range of costs/convenience. Need to garner more public support for this if it is going to be successful

Transition Plan for Hav-a-Rain Garden

Discussion of current members in leadership roles and time commitment

Outreach warranted to watershed stewards, DVCA, plant society, and gardeners

Riparian Buffers

List of parcels abutting streams generated, but need to remove parcels along urbanized (concrete) stream banks (Will to complete)

Discussion of format/content for mailer

Calendar of EAC or Related Workshops/Events/Outreach

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June 1st-Sept 6th Glass Collection for Recycling in Township Building lower lot

August 19th 7-9pm: Summer Haverford Recycling Workshop [CREC]

August 24th 8-11am: Shredding Event [Township Building]

October 5th: Haverford Township Day (Agreed that we should get Cybertruck guy and Rivian guy to come and show off their trucks)

October 9th 6-8:30pm Food Choices and Climate Workshop [CREC]

October 10th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

October 16th 7pm: Heat Pump 101 / How to Cut Fossil Fuels in Your Home: Heat Pumps for HVAC and Water Heating, and Home Electrification

Pumpkin Collection

Fall Haverford Recycling Workshop [Haverford Adult School]

Nov 23rd 9am-1pm: Large E-Waste Event [Township Building]

Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee – JB, MR

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

Climate Action Subcommittee – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting: Next meeting 9/13/24

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL Car canopies being investigated by township.

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM: Solarize Delco will appear on new HavTwp environmental page.

Regional Municipal / County Update - Not discussed this meeting

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – NS - Not discussed this meeting

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG - Not discussed this meeting

Recycling and Composting Subcommittee – MR, AD, JB, HE

Alexis: Spoke to Republic - moving forward it should be easy to remedy any misinformation

No update on aeroaggregates

Republic will not accept greasy pizza boxes

Composting Grant Implementation: Now 4 months free curbside compost service

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group: Monthly updates sent by MR

Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee: County model ordinance is out. 100 Rain Gardens Initiative. New Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator(s) still needed for 2025.

HHS Liaison on Environmental Club Collaboration - Not discussed this meeting

Superfund Site - Not discussed this meeting

Volunteer Opportunities: Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator 2025, Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds, Solarize Delco volunteers needed to screen calls/ online support

Public Comment / New Business

EV conduit being installed at CREC and library

Need to express support for solar installation at Chatham Park - vote is tied currently

Speak at School Board meetings July 18 and August 1

The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, August 07, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval
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10. Superfund Site
11. Volunteer opportunities
12. Public Comment / New Business

Adjourn

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, August 07, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Minutes

Peter Puglionesi called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Roll Call was taken.

Attendance

Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp), William Hitchcock (3- McClusky), Melisa Romano (4 - Trombetta), Victor Barsky (5 - Cavender), Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart), Hank Schwab (9 - McCollum), Alexis De Santi (Township Liaison), Alice Grunt & Alexis Pasternack - citizens

July 24 Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval Peter/Victor - approved unanimously

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
Charging station foundations at the CREC have been poured.

Llanerch rain gardens have been removed but will all go back in, it's on us to replant everything.

Submitted articles for newsletter on rain garden and composting. Also an article will go in for the new charging stations.

Fall workshop for adopt-a-trail groups, but open to other people also, Alexis is asking for us to circulate her flyer, will be on a Saturday from 9-12

We have some info to provide to the streamside properties - Alexis and Joy found the same info

Twp has sent an agreement to aero aggregates for glass recycling, they are reviewing it. Joy would like to set up a workshop when it goes through

Pennoni is reviewing our stormwater code revisions but no feedback yet

We did not get the grant for solar installation but we did get one for 5 level 2 EV stations at the police station

Alexis will discuss making provisions for EV charging upgrades later (adding additional conduit now)

Solar to be installed on the new roof portion of the library

Solar, EV, and streambank info to be added to website

Priority for Action

Haverford Township Day, EAC gathering, and Solar Tour all on Oct 5th.

Hank may be able to present at EAC gathering, Will can assist with materials

Tentative date for Solar Tour - Oct 12th

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Hank may be willing to do this, Noel has done it before but can't on the 12th. Ruth may be able to do it.

The county's solar array should be on this list, Springfield and Swarthmore and Upper Darby have arrays too. We should see if we can get Springfield on the list. Peter and Noel can propose to the county planning staff, and will mention clean energy co-ops for small businesses/non-profits

Also a rain garden tour could be done, we would want people to sign up for it though
Vote for sending out information on the Riparian buffers to HavTwp households living on creeks: 338 households identified, up to \$400 for printing and mailing. Materials not gathered yet – will include intro on riparian buffers, free help available from Stream smart, current ordinance. Identify people to complete info.

Motion to approve up to \$500 subject to Alexis securing legal approval from Twp - Peter. Noel second, approved unanimously

Tree giveaway Fall 2024

Peter has small trees from Chesapeake Bay Foundation. Also has a bunch of Paw Paw trees if anyone wants them. Alexis to discuss with Parks & Rec to determine how many trees they can take.

Update on transition plan for Hav-a-rain Garden - Peter has gotten some more people involved, getting them up to speed and learning how to do assessments.

Calendar of EAC or Related Workshops/Events/Outreach

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Haverford Climate Action: 984 visitors in the last 30 days (10,092, last 12 months)

August 19th 7-9pm: Curbside and Recycling beyond the Blue Bin Workshop [CREC]

August 24th 8-11am: Shredding event [township building]

Joy looking for help giving out materials at the shredding event 8/24 8-11, Victor and Noel can help

October 5th Haverford Township Day

Victor has been attending meetings, needs contacts from Peter for the Rivian/Cybertruck.

Victor to send out the emails based on Joy's from last year. Victor also needs to get the new 2024 Green Zone sheet from Brian.

October 9th 6:30pm: Easy Food Choices for the Planet Workshop [CREC]

October 10th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

October 14th HTAS: Recycling Workshop [HHS]

October 16th 7pm: Heat Pump 101 / How to Cut Fossil Fuels in Your Home: Heat Pumps for HVAC and Water Heating, and Home Electrification

Nov 1st – Dec 6th: Pumpkin Collection at Orner's Garden Center

Nov 23rd 9am-1pm: Large E-Waste Event [Township Building]

Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee – JB, MR - No updates

Climate Action Subcommittee – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting: Conduit to be roughed in at Library to all parking spaces. Working to get more data on vehicles. Next meeting 9/13/24

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL - No updates

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM

School board voted down a motion to install solar on Chatham Park. Finance & Facilities meeting is 6:30pm on 8/8. To register to speak, email publiccomment@haverfordsd.net with your name, address, phone number, and topic before 3:00 pm on the date of the meeting. We can send comments without attending the meeting.

Slow this year, haven't done much marketing. Not getting a lot of traction with lawn signs and t-shirts... We are trying to Partner with HH to try and get them to put solar on their homes. And we've talked to another affordable developer as well.

Solarize Philly may take us over. They got a huge federal grant to install solar in Philly and the ring counties also. The person that is running it is new and trying to figure it all out.

Peter suggested a reusable lawn sign to promote the upcoming solar tour.

Regional Municipal / County Update

County requested a grant to do composting at their collection station

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – NS

Saw some trees go down this month

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG

Stormwater is back with Pennoni. If they implement our changes, they'll have to go in from of the zoning board again.

Joy to work with Rob on the EV ordinance. The bike ordinance is on hold for now until the safe streets survey is complete.

Alexis: They have approved the bike rack funding, so we should be good to move forward. We need to make sure we follow the upcoming ordinance.

Recycling and Composting Subcommittee – MR, AD, JB, HE

Composting Grant Implementation

When newsletter comes out, we get traffic, the mailers work.

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group: Monthly updates sent by MR

Beauty care is done

Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee - No updates

HHS Liaison on Environmental Club Collaboration

Joy to reach out

Superfund Site - No updates

Volunteer Opportunities: Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator 2025, Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds., Solarize Delco: Volunteers needed to screen calls/ online support.

Public Comment / New Business

Felicia: We are going to have our fall tree giveaway but I don't know the date. We're getting the trees next week. We are considering how we can assist the Twp and individuals with planting new, larger trees, and plant them in the front. What can we do?

Noel: What if the Twp hired an arborist to plant and maintain the trees along the streets?

Peter: Also the regulations do not allow for trees to be planted within 5 feet of the ROW.

So I would suggest that you change that, or create an obligation for the licensed tree contractors to record the caliper etc.

Please let us know if you would like any information placed on the website, we'd be happy to

Alexis Pasternack: I really appreciate the electronics events. Is anyone looking at climate/environmental justice impacts from digital billboards?

Peter: I think the Twp is all over this already.

Alexis Pasternack: Can you make sure the surveys are linked to the CLimate Action Plan? The links in the plan do not work anymore.

To be discussed with Alexis at next meeting

Motion to dismiss, Victor, Henry second, approved.

The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, Sept 04, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Agenda

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12. Public Comment / New Business

Adjourn

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, Sept 04, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Minutes

Joy Baxter called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Roll Call was taken.

Attendance

Noel Smyth (1 - Gondek), Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp), William Hitchcock (3-McClusky), Melisa Romano (4 - Trombetta), Victor Barsky (5 - Cavender), Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart), Hank Schwab (9 - McCollum), Alexis De Santi (Township Liaison), Judy Trombetta (Commissioner Liaison), Peter Hickman (Parks & Rec Liasson), Sam Graaf (High School Environmental Club co-Liasson) Alice Grunt - citizen

July 24 Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval Joy/Will - approved unanimously

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
EAC Budget for 2024 was \$15000 with an initial request of 20500.

Alexis confirmed that we have already secured funding from the EECBG grant, and the program only has one-time funding.

The letter to send to stream side properties was sent to Joy to review.

Tree Giveaway location discussed - including stream side properties.

LCAP program through Penn State, running an updated GHG inventory for the township. They can help with other things as well. Will share at the commissioners meeting in Dec. Will check if they present at the EAC meeting.

Is maintenance tracking usage per vehicle? Do not know yet.

Priority for Action

FYI: No October meeting because of conflict with Rosh Hashanah. We will schedule a subcommittee meeting for implementation of Tree giveaway in late Sept.

No alternative date for October, will be an unofficial meeting.

EAC Budget expenditures: Planning for the rest of 2024 and 2025. Vote on Bike racks for parks & recycling cards, possibly others.

Use funds from 2024 for the current order.

Motion to spend up to \$10,000 for the bike racks including materials for installation, \$200 For cards, \$1,000 for Trees and \$1,000 for messaging material by Joy, second by Noel. discussion. Unanimously approved

Next year ask of 20,500.

Haverford Township Day, volunteers for EAC tent
Melisa, Victor, Peter, Hank volunteers

Scheduling Workshops for 2025 (Deadline for Havagood times in late Oct)
Several new ideas captured for next year. Biking and trails in HTown, how to save money and reduce env impact, environmental Justice (Will), environmental. Programs in Htown, stream buffers for property, PFAS (Will). (partner with DCVA). Keep heat pumps, solar and EV. Rain garden workshop.

Stream buffer and PFAS would be top priority\
Discussion on possible scope of assistance from Penn State's LCAP program students for Spring 2025: Moving forward on CAP goals, calculations, walkability, bikeability, and tree cover?

Tree giveaway, Fall 2024

Calendar of EAC or Related Workshops/Events/Outreach
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Climate Action Subcommittee – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR
Quarterly Climate Meeting: Conduit to be roughed in at Library to all parking spaces. Working to get more data on vehicles. Next meeting 9/13/24

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group: Monthly updates sent by MR
Beauty care is done

Volunteer Opportunities: Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator 2025, Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds., Solarize Delco: Volunteers needed to screen calls/ online support.

Public Comment / New Business
No public comment that was independent of open discussion during meeting.

The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, November 6, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval
3. Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
4. Priority for Action
5. Calendar of EAC or related workshops/events/outreach
5. Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee Update
6. Climate Action Subcommittee Update
7. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update
8. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:
9. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration
10. Superfund Site
11. Public Comment / New Business

Adjourn

Minutes

HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP

Environmental Advisory Committee

Minutes for Wednesday, Nov 6th, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Meeting took place in ConfRmC/Conf. Call, Township Building, 1014 Darby Road, Havertown, PA 19083.

Joy Baxter called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Roll Call was taken.

Attendance

Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp), William Hitchcock (3- McClusky), Melisa Romano (4 - Trombetta), Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart), Hank Schwab (9 - McCollum), Alexis De Santi (Township Liaison), Eli Bach (High School Environmental Club co-Liaison)

Sept 24 Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval Joy/Will - approved unanimously

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator

Volunteer Appreciation Day – the CREC can do a Thursday but not Friday for free (due to need to generate revenue) and emailed some dates; Students supporting LCAP update are interested in presenting at EAC December meeting, Alexis will meet with them on Friday. EAC total spend in 2024 YTD was \$14,292.70.

Priority for Action

EAC Re/appointment requests due Nov 22nd

Recap/Feedback Haverford Township Day Green Zone – what worked, what we should consider for next year.

We should try to take better advantage of the excitement generated by the Cybertruck. Placing vehicles between booths improved booth traffic

Discussion & possible vote on co-sponsoring of commercial electric lawn care AGZA in-person workshop with demos for contractors & municipalities – total \$5000 to share with Lower Merion and possible others

Share possibly with Delco Sustainability, Williamson School, & others. Not sure of the format or venue so discussed we want to proceed but should further develop partners/venue/etc.

2025 Workshop Collaboration with Lower Merion EAC (Joy actively collaborating), Radnor EAC (they reached out to Noel), and Peter had discussions with Media and Upper Darby EACs. Possible periodic web meeting to review strategy and workshops.

Joy will make some suggestions to Bonnie of UD. Share zoom links ... should do Solar, EV, PFAS, Plant-Based Diet. Pitched to Eli – Unusable Clothing collection and resale of used clothes – possible HHS interest? Discussed event at school library done on a Wednesday afternoon.

Discussion on possible scope of assistance from Penn State's LCAP program students for Spring 2025: Moving forward on CAP goals, calculations, walkability, bikeability, and tree cover?

Puglionesi suggested asking Rich Kerr to help them update the bikeability study (Rich later declined). Possibly identify low hanging fruit for GSI – Puglionesi mentioned the Hathaway Lane/Busway project proposed years ago and Will suggested that they analyze that. Zone for high buildings requiring LEED certification ...

EAC Budget update: Two orders for bike racks for parks were put in for \$11,624 and should get delivery in about 2 weeks. Stream buffer mailers to streamside properties went out and Recycling cards (business card size) were printed and have started to be given out. Previous expenditures, volunteer appreciation dinner: \$1460, Recycling beyond the Blue Bin: \$723

Tree & Shrub giveaway recap – Peter P. Successful, will compile stats.

Calendar of EAC or Related Workshops/Events/Outreach

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Nov 1st – Dec 6th: Pumpkin Collection at Orner's Garden Center

Nov 23rd 9am-1pm: Large E-Waste Event [Township Building]

Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee – JB, MR

Climate Action Subcommittee – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting: Next meeting 12/13/24

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM

Regional Municipal / County Update

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – NS, PP

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG

Recycling and Composting Subcommittee – MR, AD, JB, HE

Composting Grant Implementation

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group: Monthly updates sent by MR

Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee

HHS Liaison on Environmental Club Collaboration

Superfund Site

Volunteer Opportunities: Hav-a-Rain Garden coordinator 2025, Hav-a-Rain Garden volunteers to assess, design, order and supervise builds., Solarize Delco: Volunteers needed to screen calls/online support.

Public Comment / New Business

No public comment that was independent of open discussion during meeting.

The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Haverford Township - Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday, December 4, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Meeting Minutes - Review/Approval
3. Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator
4. Priority for Action
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7. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update
8. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:
9. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration
10. Superfund Site
11. Volunteer Opportunities
12. Public Comment / New Business

Adjourn

Minutes

HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP

Environmental Advisory Committee

Minutes for Wednesday, Dec 4th, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Meeting took place in ConfRmC/Conf. Call, Township Building, 1014 Darby Road, Havertown, PA 19083.

Joy Baxter called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Roll Call was taken.

Attendance

Noel Smyth (1 - Gondek), Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp), William Hitchcock (3- McClusky), Melisa Romano (4 - Trombetta), Rob Graff (6 - Holmes), Henry Eichman (7 - Quinn), Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart), Hank Schwab (9 - McCollum), Judy Trombetta (Commissioner Liaison), Alexis De Santi (Township Liaison),

Meeting Minutes - Motion: Noel/Joy – no discussion, 11/6/24 minutes approved.

Monthly Update from Alexis De Santi, Haverford Township Special Projects Coordinator – discussed within other agenda items

Priority for Action

Two potential openings for EAC positions remain: Alice is considering for 7. , Other ideas? David Robert -Hank to reach out.

Stormwater Ordinance update – First reading of the stormwater ordinance passed 5-4. The second reading is scheduled for December 9th. One issue that has not been resolved is whether the township will follow the ordinance for its own projects.

Was concern there are people who would be surprised with the change. How will township track cumulative permeable. It's not been done yet. Township could do a newsletter article for the new ordinance.

Alexis to get clarification how the township intends to follow ordinance for township work. Peter P. suggests that the township engineer review any changes to surface area.

Further Discussion & possible vote on co-sponsoring of commercial electric lawn care AGZA in-person workshop with demos for contractors & municipalities – total \$5000 to share with Lower Merion and possible others

Narberth has converted. the SF is much smaller than most townships. We can work with LM on this event.

Rob expressed concern over the AGZA location in CA and would like to find a local group to handle. Also concerned over the lack of detail in the proposal. Concern about the outreach and the equipment presented is available in this region.

Joy: Motion to approve between 500 and 2500 for the AGZA event in 2025. Empowering Joy to follow-up on the specific concerns and decide on behalf of the EAC. Noel second.

Unanimously approved.

Update on 2025 Workshop Collaborations with other EACs

Vote on additional trash and recycling tops each for 55 gallon drums used for Haverford Township Day. (up to \$764)

Motion for purchase of 5 recycling and 5 trash tops up to \$764. Joy/Noel

Unanimously approved, Alexis to check with public works

Discussion and vote on use of extra “recycling beyond the blue bin” at township building for phone cases and pop sockets

Would this be popular enough to have at the township bld?

Melisa: Joy second: motion to collect the phone case and pop-sockets. Discussion; Rob has concern about Terracycle may not be recycling everything and it makes people feel ok with buying plastics. Robust discussion.

Or Metal lids – Joy would take these if we do

Or corks – Arora would need to agree, Melisa wants to check with Mom’s as well for volume.

Motion tabled

Our first article for newsletter can be about recycling beyond the blue bin.

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Nov 1st – Dec 6th: Pumpkin Collection at Orner's Garden Center

January 11th 12pm Haverford Recycling Workshop [virtual]

January 16th 7pm Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

Feb 8th 8:30am-noon: 12th Annual Trails Summit, CREC

February 12th 7pm: PFAS: What they are and what we can do [virtual]

February 19th 7pm: Solar for your home [virtual]

March 1st 9am-noon: Rain Garden Workshop, CREC

March 8th 12pm: Haverford Recycling Workshop CREC Haverford Adult School

March 13th 7pm: Demystifying EV ownership [virtual] (tentative)

April 23rd Transform your yard: grass removal, pollinators & native plants [virtual]
(DCVA collaboration)

April 26h, Earth Day at the CREC

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

May 14th 7pm: Backyard Composting Workshop [virtual]

(Summer or Fall) Plant based food for the Climate [virtual]

October 4h Haverford Township Day

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

October 16th 7pm Heat Pump 101 [virtual] (tentative)

(Fall Recycling in Haverford Workshop, Haverford Adult School)

Social Media & Outreach Subcommittee – JB, MR

No updates.

Climate Action Subcommittee – SC, RG, JB, NS, JS, MR

Quarterly Climate Meeting: Next meeting 12/13/24

Township Solar Committee – JB, PP, VD, JL

No updates.

Solarize Marketing – MR, NS, AM, JM

No updates.

Regional Municipal / County Update

No updates.

Expand Residential Tree Canopy – NS, PP

No updates.

Ordinance Subcommittee – AC, NS, JB, PP, RG, PH, TG

No updates.

Recycling and Composting Subcommittee – MR, AD, JB, HE

Composting Grant Implementation

No updates.

Beyond the Blue Bin Recycling Group: Monthly updates sent by MR

Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee

No updates.

HHS Liaison on Environmental Club Collaboration

No updates.

Superfund Site

No updates.

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Public Comment / New Business

Yearly report is due the end of January.