

East Goshen Township
Sustainability Advisory Committee
1580 Paoli Pike
June 24, 2019

Present

David Shuey, Christi Supple, Jeff O'Donnell, Monica Close, Kipp Happ, Angela Matchica, Mary McCloskey, Mike Lynch, Jason Lang

Members of Public in Attendance

Brian Sweet, Michelle Truitt

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by David Shuey at 7:06pm

Moment of Silence

Led by David Shuey

Committee asked if meeting was being recording

No recording

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved

Old Business

- A. Christi Supple was nominated as Chair, and Kipp Happ as Vice Chair. Mary McCloskey made a motion to accept their nominations, seconded by Monica Close. All other committee members voted in favor of the selections. Motion seconded and they assume their new roles henceforth for the remainder of 2019.
- B. David Shuey led a discussion of Township ordinances regarding single use plastic bag bans. Kipp Happ mentioned West Chester Borough is in the process of banning both single use bags and plastic straws. Township resident Michelle Truitt noted that each person unknowingly consumes one credit card worth of plastic each week. Mike Lynch discussed loop technology in which consumers use products, send containers back to the company to be reused in the same capacity. This is a vendor to door step service. Angela Matchica asked if we should first hold a town hall style meeting with the public and direct contact meetings with East Goshen Township businesses that would be affected by a plastic bag/straw ban. David Shuey agreed that the next step should be reaching out to area businesses, will ask township staff for a contact list.
- C. With regards to hauling, David Shuey noted that the State College area has an Authority set up exclusively for recycling. Resident Brian Sweet asked if goal is to reduce

Township expenses or waste, David Shuey said both would be goals, and that a next step would be to meet with Township staff to review our hauling services contracts.

- D. Christi will be at Community Day with other area organizations, needs 2-3 tables. David Shuey will lead the recycling activity.
- E. Electric car charging stations were discussed. Jeff and Angela to take the lead and look at potentially suitable locations.
- F. Mike Lynch discussed Subaru's partnership with TerraCycle. He wrote them a letter, awaiting their response.

New Business

- A. Jason Lang discussed the Green Dads program. After reviewing the program, the committee decided not to move forward, as the costs as constructed would make it unappealing to most potential participants.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm

Submitted by Jason Lang