

EGT Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Council
Meeting Tuesday, July 22, 2024 6:30 PM
FINAL

Attendees: Kennan Flanagan, Peg Friese, Mary Krueger, Kimberly Schaffer, Tony Natale, via cell phone Barbara Emery (Board Liaison),

Absent: Reese Corso, Natalie Golden (Youth Advisors) , Jess Wilhelmy(EG liaison)

Zoom was no available

1. Call to Order 6:32 PM by Tony Natale
2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kim Schaffer.
3. Moment of Silence was led by Tony Natale.
4. No one was recording the meeting.
5. Board Advisor Report and ESAC Appointments - Barbara Emery reported that the Board of Supervisors has not received any applications for the two open ESAC positions. There was a question if it was posted as an opening. In the meantime, the ESAC agreed to operate as a 5 person committee until there are engaged applicants. Barbara Emery agreed to ask Derek if the opening is published to the township.
6. Nominations for Secretary and Vice Chair: - Mary Krueger was elected Secretary. The ESAC decided with a membership of 5 individuals, there was no requirement for a Vice Chair. Mary Krueger agreed, in the event the Chair was unavailable, to run the meeting. Tony agreed to ask Jess if her role as township employee involved taking minutes at our meeting. Barbara agreed to ask Derek in the event Jess cannot make a meeting - how the published Zoom link can be made operable. Tony Natale also encouraged all ESAC members to forward any additions to future agenda items so that they can be included.
7. Discussion of ESAC Ordinance and Mission
8. The committee reviewed the ESAC Ordinance which includes a Purpose Statement (Section 17.2). This was seen as a framework for the ESAC to operate within. The group agreed on the need for an ESAC specific Mission Statement. The group agreed to coordinate input on the Mission Statement so

it could be presented and approved at the next meeting. The thought is this would be published on the township website under the ESAC tab.

9. Develop a plan for 2024 projects and a strategic plan for 2025.
10. The ESAC felt that until a Mission Statement is approved, no projects or plans could be planned. The group discussed a visit for the committee to Total Recycling in September. Mary Krueger will firm up the date. Kennan said he felt a good starting project would be to increase recycling effectiveness with the thought that this lessens the trash load going to the landfill thereby reducing costs to East Goshen. To increase recycling, we need to learn more about how we can encourage and educate residents about what they can do to increase effective recycling and avoid contamination.
11. Meeting minutes from June. Tony Natale made a resolution to approve the June minutes as written. The motion was approved unanimously.
12. Treasurer Report- Mary Krueger gave the Treasurer report. The ESAC has \$2288.21 cents. Tony Natale made a resolution to allow Peg Freise to order a sign for the Native Plant Garden outside the township building not to exceed 500 dollars. The motion was approved. Peg will do some research on the sign.
13. Project Report - we discussed the Mosquito dunks the West Chester Climate group donated and how they could be distributed. Tony Natale will try to meet up with Christi Marshall to get the dunks. No agreement was made on how they should be distributed.
14. Public - We discussed the request from Dan Truitt to review the Solar Residential Building regulations to ensure they are encouraging solar energy conversion within East Goshen and not causing undo complications and restriction. Dan made the request at the June meeting - and shared the modifications were something he would personally benefit from. We agreed to review at a future date - no actions were assigned.
15. Meeting adjournment 8:12pm. Tony Natale made a motion for a meeting adjournment. It was unanimously approved.