

**EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
July 24, 2023**

The East Bradford Township Environmental Advisory Council convened on Monday, July 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the township building, 676 Copeland School Road, West Chester, PA 19380. The agenda was posted on the front door of the township building and on the Township website at <https://www.eastbradford.org> as required by the Sunshine Law.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Brooke Davis
Kathy Bergmann
Paul Lucot
Paul Lewis
Ed McConnell
Maura Sheehan

STAFF/ BOARD PRESENT: Bruce Laverty

MEMBERS/STAFF NOT PRESENT: Mark Lucas, Rhona Klein

CALL TO ORDER: At 7:03 pm, the EAC meeting was called to order by Brooke Davis.

MINUTES

Kathy Bergmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2023, regular meeting. Paul Lewis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEWS AND UPDATES

SD# 632- Darlington Ridge- no updates

SD# 641- West Chester Crossings- no updates

SD# 656- Rudloff Subdivision- 940 Hillsdale Rd.

TRASH TALKING/SINGLE USE PLASTICS-

In May the Board decided to delay the ordinance because of staff shortages.

Maura Sheehan reviewed with the EAC ideas/implementation strategies she learned from the Single-use Plastics Ban Coalition and Township that have enacted bans. The EAC developed a list of around 20 businesses that would need to implement the ban. The education/business outreach should start a year in advance of the ordinance start date. We can use the signage from Philadelphia for posting in businesses and on our website. Also, a FAQs (Frequently asked questions) about the ban should be posted on our website. The EAC recommends "Branding" the plastics ban to help with acceptance and education. Maura will ask at the next Coalition meeting, who is responsible for enforcement of each Township's ban and the amount of staff time needed for enforcement.

ENERGY

Ed McConnell reviewed PECO's "Path to Clean Energy" program. PECO's goal is to reduce their operations driven emissions by 50 % by 2030. PECO is offering bonus rebates for various qualifying upgrades such as energy star central A/C units and air source heat pumps. <https://pecobonusrebates.com>. These rebates would be on top of rebates available through the Federal Inflation Reduction Act (IRA).

CLIMATE CHANGE

The recent newsletter discussed the OSHA Heat Safety Tool. The EAC will defer further discussions on the Climate Change Toolkit until our next meeting.

COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE REVIEW

The process for ordinance review is very slow with mostly minor changes and housekeeping. July meeting will discuss general and design standards.

INVASIVE SPECIES & VECTORS

Spotted Lanternfly- adults have emerged, but fewer than in past years.

Deer Management- the archery club will start hunting in September.

REVIEW OF ABC MINUTES

- Board of Supervisor- Maura Sheehan
- Planning Commission- Paul Lewis
- Trails- Rhona Klein
- Historical Commission- Brooke Davis
- Parks and Rec- Paul Lucot
- Traffic Commission- Kathy Bergmann

ROUNDTABLE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE EAC: There will be no work session and the next regular meeting will be August 28, 2023. The September EAC meeting is cancelled for Yom Kippur.

ADJOURNMENT: Paul Lewis made a motion to adjourn, and Paul Lucot seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Davis