

Borough of Doylestown

Environmental Advisory Council

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, January 17, 2023 FINAL

Attendance: George Mullikin, Steve Nelson, Karen Graziano (via Zoom), Grant Alger, PR West

Elected Officials & Staff: Wendy Margolis, Karyn Hyland

1) Call to order: George called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

2) Election of Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary

George was elected chair.

Karen was elected vice-chair.

Steve was elected secretary. But minutes will be taken on a rotating basis. Below is a suggested schedule.

Feb – Grant	Mar - Karen
Apr - Steve	May - Grant
Jun - Karen	Jul - Steve
Aug - Grant	September - Karen
Oct - Steve	Nov - Grant
Dec - Karen	

3. Approval of Minutes December 20, 2022

approved

4. Carry-out Bag Outreach Materials

Paul Boger, Mind Your Design, gave presentation on design of a flyer to be displayed at businesses. EAC preferred design with earth character carrying a bag. Grant will work on comments to Paul on copy for flyer.

5. Reports

a. LCAP –

Joint informal Doylestown Twp/Boro meeting occurred on Jan. 5, there was agreement for ongoing meetings to collaborate on actions; Penn State is offering a series of webinars through spring; Project Agreement is being finalized with scope and deliverables – George and Steve will complete; Penn State recommends that a steering committee be created – will need to define role, how active should they be – will be taken up by EAC subcommittee (George, PR, Steve); Some possible deliverables from Penn

State student: potential actions, impact of actions on GHG reduction, outreach ideas and what has worked elsewhere; writing parts of the plan

b. Farmer's Market – No word from Farmer's Market about official spot, will be asking for a regular spot every other week. Will share with Master Gardeners.

c. Bird Town

Heidi Shriver (Bird Town organizer) sent out info on joining the Bird Town effort. Various levels of participation were identified. Various actions are required for the levels. Grant will contact Heidi and fill out the form for activities in 2022. EAC voted to recommend that Council consider a resolution of support.

d. General Outreach and Communication

Paul Boger will also be working on webpage for plastic bag ban.

e. Comprehensive Plan Update

Steve and Grant presented a summary of last meeting. Workshops will start at March 14 meeting with identifying issues and will be followed by 3 workshops, 1 per month through June. At the first workshop, groups will discuss critical issues that the Comp Plan should address. Grant will also serve as liaison with Steve.

6. 2023 Goals

George presented the following draft goals & objectives:

- Increase use of renewable energy in Boro operations
 - Assist in finding funding
 - Continue management of Local Climate Action Plan (LCAP) & complete draft
- Participate in and add value to Boro Comp Plan Update
 - Participate in workshops
 - Integrate actions from LCAP into Comp Plan
- Assist with roll out of Single Use Plastic Bag Ordinance
 - Assist in developing flyer
 - Assist in developing website
- Increase engagement with Boro community & other EACs
 - Create specific events/activities at Farmer's Market
 - Attend EAC summits – state-wide and county-wide
 - Continue to leverage website to educate/inform
 - Collaborate with the Doylestown Twp. EAC on LCAP actions/implementation
 - Continue Boro designation as a Bird Town

7. Old/New Business

8. Next meeting

The next meeting of the EAC is scheduled for Tues. February 21 at 6:30PM

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm