

Montgomery Township Environmental Advisory Committee April 23, 2024 7:00 PM

Montgomery Township's Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) met on April 24, 2024 at the Township Administration Building.

The members of the EAC in attendance included: Don Hamp, Maureen Mirabella, Scott Hemmons, Jonathan Katz, and Tim Miehle. Also in attendance were Derek Muller, Public Information Coordinator, and Beth Staab, Board of Supervisors liaison.

Reorganization & Regular Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes – February 27, 2024

• The minutes from the February 27, 2024 EAC meeting were approved unanimously.

New Business Old Business

• Single-Use Product Ordinance Readiness:

- The ordinance is in effect now and staff have received only a few calls for clarifications or complaints.
- An identified challenge is that people may soon have too many reusable bags. A solution is to encourage residents to donate them to charitable organizations. The discussion will continue in June.

Native Lawn Initiative

- Beth will follow up with Carolyn and Greg for more information on the Township's mowing schedule and procedures.
- The EAC wants to explore the possibility of creating a demonstration area with native plants and signage to educate the public about the benefits of native landscaping. 2
- The EAC also wants to reach out to other EACs in the area and share information and events related to native plants and pollinators.
- The EAC is interested in screening a movie about regenerative farming and soil health, called Common Ground, at the Community & Recreation Center or a local theater, and inviting other EACs and the public to watch and learn.

Events

• The Electronic Recycling event collected 16,886 pounds of recycling, and the upcoming Tree Giveaway on April 27th will offer native trees to residents.

• Other Business

Public Comment on items not on the agenda

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 28, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Township Administration Building. A virtual option will be available.

