

Montgomery Township Environmental Advisory Committee May 25, 2021 7:00 PM

Montgomery Township Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) met on May 25, 2021 virtually via TEAMS.

The members of the EAC in attendance included: Ryan Rex (Chair), Maureen Mirabella, and Barry Baker. Also in attendance were Beth Staab, Board of Supervisors liaison, Carolyn McCreary, Township Manager, and Derek Muller, Public Information Coordinator. Absent were members, Don Hamp (Vice Chair), Jeanine Hurry, Terry Wilson, and Emily Strake.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. With no motions needed this meeting, the meeting was held without a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

By consensus of the present EAC members, the minutes from April 27, 2021 were approved.

Old Business

Mr. Rex discussed his vision for the "Solar Summit." He shared a few resources that can be incorporated into the presentation, including <u>solsmart.org</u>, an organization dedicated to helping communities implement affordable solar energy solutions. Mr. Rex shared that instead of a lengthy PowerPoint presentation, the format will be a roundtable, with a short PowerPoint being utilized to guide the discussion. He volunteered to put together the draft presentation and send it to the EAC via email. The plan is to hold this event virtually and open to the public on July 27, 2021 via TEAMS. A practice/technical run of the presentation will be conducted during the June 22, 2021 EAC meeting.

Mr. Muller agreed to record the presentation and distribute it on the appropriate Township communication media for posterior viewing. This includes social media, the Cable Channel, and YouTube. He also agreed to communicate the plan to the EAC via email.

Ms. Staab discussed the Township's commitment to the Ready for 100 campaign. Through this campaign by the Sierra Club (sierraclub.org), communities aspire to be powered by 100% clean energy.

Ms. McCreary and Mr. Muller discussed methods of gathering and coordinating information distribution for the EAC. Existing avenues include a weekly #TuesdayTip post on Facebook and updates to the EAC page on montgomerytwp.org. Through discussion, it was agreed to try to compile a calendar, accessible by all EAC members, of information to share. This document will be initiated by Mr. Muller and hosted in a designated, easy to access, digital location.

New Business

Ms. McCreary asked members of the EAC to complete the Montgomery Township Comprehensive Plan Public Opinion Survey and share it with their networks. Mr. Muller agreed to share the link and flyer for the survey with the minutes.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in person at the Montgomery Township Building.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.