

**Montgomery Township  
Ready For 100 Ad Hoc  
Committee  
Minutes of Meeting  
March 24, 2022**

The inaugural meeting of the Ready For 100 Committee meeting was held on March 24, 2022, at the Montgomery Township Municipal Building. Members of the Committee in attendance included Kevin Kowalick, Paul Mau, Jon Love, and Anushk Gupta. Al Gryga was not in attendance. Beth Staab, Board of Supervisors' liaison & Carolyn McCreary, Township Manager were also present.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM

**Public Comment:** None

**Introductions:**

Ms. Staab introduced herself to the committee members and shared how she brought this initiative forward to the Board of Supervisors. She noted we were the 14<sup>th</sup> municipality to sign onto this in the County and now there are 20 communities. Ms. McCreary introduced herself and explained what the staff's role would be with the committee. Each committee member shared their respective backgrounds, their interest in sustainability, and why they volunteered to serve on this committee.

**Administrative Matters:**

Ms. Staab invited the members to a Volunteer Appreciation Social the Board of Supervisors is hosting on May 5<sup>th</sup> at Pinecrest County Club.

Copies of the Committee bylaws were distributed with Ms. McCreary noting the acknowledgment of receipt and review could be returned at the next meeting. She also advised there is training for all committee members on Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> on the State Sunshine Law. She noted there are several new members on the various committees, and this will be a virtual training that is recorded for those who cannot attend, but it is mandatory.

Ms. McCreary informed the Committee they are being asked to meet monthly and these meetings will be on a set day and time (i.e. 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month). She said they will be properly advertised as they are public meetings.

**Assignments:**

Ms. Staab spoke about the robust content of the Sierra Club's website who started this initiative. She will provide more information to the committee at a future meeting to assist their efforts. Ms. McCreary stated the Township has commissioned an energy audit of the Township building and Community and Recreation Center. She explained staff will review the final document and determine what tasks can be done this year, what might be able to be budgeted for in 2023 and what can be planned for in the long term. She noted the HVAC units on the roof had recently been replaced with

more energy-efficient units and programmable thermostats that can be set to appropriate temperatures when rooms are not occupied.

**Discussion:**

The Committee spoke about sharing what the Township has already done to reduce its energy usage, identifying the specific energy efficiency improvements in conjunction with Earth Day. Mr. Gupta asked if the Township knows how many residential properties have solar panels installed and Ms. McCreary said she could check with Code Enforcement staff as they require permits. The Committee discussed educating the public and questioned what is being taught in the schools. Ms. Staab spoke about her experience with the School District, noting more formal education is offered at the middle school level. They identified the North Penn School District as a possible partner, asking them to consider solar energy in their two elementary schools in the Township.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM. The next meeting is on April 21 at 7:00 PM.