



**Montgomery Township
Environmental Advisory Committee
May 23, 2023
7:00 PM**

Montgomery Township Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) met on May 23, 2023 at the Township Administration Building.

The members of the EAC in attendance included: Don Hamp, Linda Block-Love, Jonathan Katz, and Scott Hemmons. Also in attendance were Beth Staab, Board of Supervisors liaison, and Derek Muller, Public Information Coordinator.

Regular Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm.

Approval of Minutes – April 25, 2023

- On a motion by Mr. Hamp and a second by Mr. Katz, the minutes from the April 25, 2023 EAC meeting were approved.

New Business

- **Plastic Waste Reduction Potential Ordinance**
 - The committee requested to see a copy of the draft Ordinance before it goes to the Board of Supervisors.
 - They also requested it include wording to encourage businesses to distribute plastic utensils only upon request.
 - The Ordinance should also include “stitched bags” as a requirement.
- **Plastic Waste Reduction Education Planning:**
 - The committee discussed using the following methods to educate the public about common misconceptions and questions regarding single-use plastic bans and plastic waste reduction:
 - Social media: “Use this instead of that” graphics and posts as #TuesdayTips
 - Including information and links on the website
 - Writing educational blog posts on the topic
 - Sending a dedicated email with information and resources about the initiative(pending adoption of Ordinance)
 - Creating a sign for businesses to post and a one-page fact sheet (pending adoption of Ordinance)
 - The committee discussed the idea of a “Reusable Bag Exchange”
- **Rain Barrel Workshop:** This discussion was tabled until next month.

Old Business

Other Business

Public Comment on items not on the agenda

- There was no public comment.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM on a motion by Mr. Katz and a second by Ms. Block-Love.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 27th, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Township Administration Building.