



# Environmental Advisory Committee

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## Meeting Agenda

Date: Wednesday, January 04, 2023

Location: 1014 Darby Rd, Havertown, Pa., 19083 - Room C

Time: 7:30 P.M.

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## EAC AGENDA

### Haverford Twp EAC – Wed. Jan 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm, ConfRmC/Conf. Call

EAC Members 2021-2022: Noel Smyth (1 - Gondek) – Joy Baxter (2 - Forste-Grupp) – vacant (3 - McClusky) – Melisa Romano (4 - Trombetta) – Victor Barsky (5 - Cavender) – Rob Graff (6 - Holmes) – Henry Eichman (7 - Quinn) – Peter Puglionesi (8 - Hart) – Hank Schwab (9 - Wechsler) – EAC Appointees – Steven Clark; Commissioner Liaison – Judy Trombetta; Eileen Mottola - Township Liaison.

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Solarize marketing– (MR, NS, AM, JM), other PR.

Regional municipal/county update (DelCo Sustainability Commission, Solar PPAs).

Expand Residential Tree Canopy - (NS)

Ordinance subcommittee- have not met yet not started (NS, JB, PP)

#### **6. Recycling and Composting Subcommittee Update.** MR, AD, JB, HE to report:

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#### **7. Storm Water & Rain Garden Subcommittee:** County model ordinance is out

Updated Stormwater / Curb Connection Ordinance and Twp. Subdivision Design Standards).

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#### **8. HHS Liaison on Env. Club Collaboration**

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#### **9. Superfund Site:** There will be a public comment period coming soon due to construction of a permanent water decontamination plant to replace the temporary unit.

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**11. New Business**

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- **Minutes approved**

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- Reorganization: Select Chair/Co-chairs for 2023
  - i. Joy voted in as Chair and Peter voted in as vice-chair
- Tom East Visitor topic:
  - i. EAC Introductions to Tom.
  - ii. Tom is interested in recycle program. The price continues to increase and recycle rates go down. \$30 difference between trash and recycles.
  - iii. Joy: we are required to recycle by state law. The rates fluctuate. The main issue is plastics. We have tried to increase the education. we work with the township. One of the options that we could do is break out cardboard.
  - iv. Tom just got the recycling rules which are hard to comply with and most cannot or will not comply with and can just opt to throw out.
  - v. Peter: this deserves to be held in the context of the studies that we are hiring consultants for. No township likes making operational changes to the program because it's confusing to folks.
  - vi. Joy: we are getting consulting regarding municipal waste and composting through the county.
  - vii. Beyond blue bin, he went in to register himself and he could not register. Why do you need so much info on people when the sign up?
  - viii. Eileen explained that it's needed to create the initial account and can be used for other items.
- Nominations and voting for EAC Appointees
- PECO home energy audit booths for events – they are willing to come to block parties on up – how to spread the word?
  - i. Farmers market might be an idea
- Bag Ban discussion
  - i. Acme in Bryn Mawr on route 30 is not complaint.

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Expand Residential Tree Canopy - (NS)  
Peter discussed trees at the open space meeting and told her we want to have a partnership to ramp up tree plantings and spoke to Jeanne Angell who wants to stick to 200 large a year. If we are going to do something, it will have to come from the EAC working with the civic associations. The County appears to be agreeable to be a hub for delivery of smaller trees from the plant 10k trees program. UD wants 1100 trees, there is a list of trees peter can circulate. It is a free source of smaller trees, Peter to forward the list of what is available. Noel can work with Shade Tree Commission to advocate giving out. 3x3x9” pots. The only stipulation is that we track where there are planted by address. Timetable would have to make an order within three weeks, pick up in March, dropped at Rose Tree Park for pickup. Could we have a Parks and Rec truck do the pickup from Rose Tree Park. Would have to be significant numbers of trees. The School could plan a tree planting. Joy has an order form from IPL. Fall is easier for planting and more resilient.  
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#s for the year:
  - metal 2085 lbs
  - Oral 100 lbs
  - Personal care 140 lbs
  - Pumpkin 2645 lbs
  - Ewaste 8200 lbs (bins)
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  - Planning a meeting regarding fast fashion, impacts about waste that it uses. Bring in old clothes to promote and raise money from that. Encourage people to reuse clothes. Will include where folks can recycle clothes too.
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  - Energy Audit review for next month’s meeting