

Lower Gwynedd Township

Environmental Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

June 14th, 2023

Members in Attendance:

Lisa Brown, Co-Chair

Marianne Grey

Mark Schafer, Co-Chair

Brenda Doll

Rea Monaghan (via Zoom)

Steve Saffier

Maureen Nunn

Associate Members: Rich Valiga

Board of Supervisors Liaison: Tessie McNeely & Mike Twersky

Staff In Attendance: Sandi Feight

Not in Attendance: Suzanne Smith-Oscilowski

1. **Call to order.** The meeting was called to order at 7 pm.
2. **Minutes.** Minutes accepted as amended.
3. **Request to move items from Consent Agenda to Regular agenda, and any other items to be considered as part of the Regular Agenda**
4. **Approval of Regular Agenda** - Approved
5. **Consent Agenda.**
6. **Old Business**
 - a. Going Green Award – The award will be presented at a Board of Supervisors meeting later in the year. Sandi was able to get the business contacts for LGT. EAC will focus on getting postcards out.
 - b. Long Range Projects committee – The committee met and presented a list of ideas as part of their first brainstorming meeting.
 - c. Recent Activities: EAC movie night – movie was great. Very impactful and we received great feedback.
 - d. Battery recycling: The Township has a packaging scale to weigh the battery buckets. Each bucket can hold 55 pounds of batteries. Battery Solutions changed their shipping carrier. We are still expecting more buckets. The techno trash collection is more for computer related things, have to be more mindful of what is collected, July 15th will be the next battery and techno trash collection.
 - e. Volunteer bank: Sandi is still working on a volunteer application. Mimi and Sandi will sit down soon to go over and finalize the application.

- f. Community Choice Aggregation: currently this is not an option for townships.
- g. Turf Replacement with PW department: The turf replacement will start at the end of summer.
- h. Calendar updates
 - i. Composting event 6/17 – There will be an intro, we will discuss the movie, 20-minute presentation and have tables set up. We have also ordered and will be presenting the different kinds of composting bins.
 - ii. Winged Migration 7/10 – Once a flyer is put together, Sandi will hand out at the summer concerts.
 - iii. Battery and Techno trash recycling – next collection date is July 15th.
 - iv. Bird Walks – going well. There will be no bird walks during the summer.
 - v. Tree giveaway 10/14 – There will be a save the date in the E newsletter. It will be added to the website calendar. Registration opens on September 1st.

7. New Business -

- a. Fall movie/speaker nights – EAC will reach out to surrounding townships and try to work together.

8. Standing Items

- a. Staff liaison report – Sandi has not received any credit card bills yet for the composting event but does report that the budget is fine.
- b. Planning Commission liaison- Maureen stated that a property on Houston Rd, was coming in for a conditional use to reduce the lot size.
- c. Parks and Rec liaison – P&R Board meeting in May, ongoing topics are Fall Fest, the park master plans and the discussion of the mountain bike trail in Penllyn Woods. Horseways and the Wissahickon Trails have both been a part of meetings to voice their concerns. Mimi is working on a memo to the Parks and Rec board.

9. Points of interest/general comments

Meeting concluded @ 8:16 PM

Next meeting: Wednesday, August 9th