

## 4/19/23 Buckingham EAC Meeting Minutes

**Present:** R. Foster (via Zoom), D. Robb, A. Strout, J. Walter, D. Smith, L. Mein

**Absent:** S. Yerkes

**Visitors:** Matt Braud, Stephanie Weisser, Peter Gilis (Newtown EAC)

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

### **New business**

- The EAC welcomed Laura Mein as our newest member; the EAC is now at full strength.
- The March EAC meeting minutes were reviewed, discussed and approved.

### **Old/ongoing business**

- **Single-use plastic survey update:** The survey has been live for about one week. As of last night, 124 responses have been received. Reminders will be sent to residents and the link remains up on the township website.
- **Roundtable:** There was discussion regarding a planning meeting in June for the water quality and sustainable agriculture roundtable being organized for late in the year. The bulk of the May meeting will be devoted to this topic.
- **Tree-grants, planting-outreach update:** Trees are still expected to arrive by month's end, not in time for some of the Earth Day events where trees had been hoped for, e.g. Truman HS. Potential locations for planting include Bucks Audubon and Peace Valley
- **Energy Transition Plan (ETP)/Climate action plan:** Andrea has a 39 page document undergoing final revisions and editing which should be out for review before our next meeting. The Commission thanked Andrea for her herculean efforts on this project.
- **Township website:** The "Helpful Hints" page is nearly ready to be published on the township website and is expected to be live prior to the next meeting.
- **Native plant sale:** The flyer has been prepared and a dedicated email established by D. Smith. Orders are expected to begin soon.
- **Municipal business:** The proposed McKee development of 42 residences is undergoing review; the developer is being responsive to residents' concerns. One resident has brought up concerns regarding impermeable surfaces; no action by the EAC is needed at this juncture.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Smith  
Secretary and Vice Chair