

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION (ESC) MEETING MINUTES

January 11, 2022 AT 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Willistown Environmental Sustainability Commission came to order at 7:02 at the Willistown Township Building on 688 Sugartown Road, Malvern, PA.

Members present: Bruce Hartlein, Susan Vogel, Mark Angelo, Jeff Richards, Ken Lehr and Karl Malessa

Township Staff: Jennifer Jacobs

Old Business

- The Minutes from the October meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Susan to update website to indicate that there will be a shredding event this spring, date TBD. The e-Waste and chipping events will be in the fall, dates TBD. Demand for chipping this past fall was so low, there is no justification for a spring event.
- ESC has completed their input on Guidelines for Growth. Mark is still working on deer management with John Gaadt.
- We put off more discussion of Zero Waste Initiative until next meeting.

New Business

- Welcome to Rev. Jeff Richards as new member of ESC. Rev. Jeff recently relocated to the area to serve as Pastor at the Willistown United Methodist Church.
- Patti Lynn of Chester County Solid Waste is doing a composting event in June. She is looking for a site in Willistown. Jeff offered his church parking lot (Willistown United Methodist) off West Chester Pike. Susan to provide more information about date and other event specifics at the next meeting.
- Susan received a letter from the DEP saying that they received our application for the calendar year 2020 Recycling Program Performance Grant but that our Township Ordinance does not comply with several of the Act 101 requirements. These need to be addressed before our application can be processed. We discussed the five compliance issues. Jennifer will discuss with the Township zoning officer, and he, along with the Township Solicitor will draft additional language for the Township Ordinance to get it in compliance with Act 101. Jennifer will present the language to ESC at the next meeting and we will target the February 28 meeting to present the updated Ordinance to the Township Supervisors for their approval. In the meantime, Susan will respond to the DEP and explain to them that we will have a response by the end of February.
- **Citizen's Comments:** There were none.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Willistown Environmental Sustainability Commission will be held on February 08, 2022 at 7:00 at the Township Building.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Hartlein, Secretary