

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION (ESC) MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2022 AT 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Willistown Environmental Sustainability Commission came to order at 7:04 pm at the Willistown Township Building on 688 Sugartown Road, Malvern, PA.

Members present: Susan Vogel, Bruce Hartlein, Karl Malessa, Keith Parsons and Jeff Richards

Township Staff: Jennifer Jacobs

Old Business

- The Minutes from the November meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Spring Events: Karl confirmed April 29 for the Shredding event. It was decided that we go ahead with a spring eWaste event. Susan will contact the vendor and target Earth Day, April 22 for that event. Once that is confirmed Bruce will confirm Chipping for one of the remaining Saturdays in April (Bill Hagan is back, so coordinate with him).
- Vision and Mission Statement- it was decided table that discussion to early next year. Jeff to lead the discussion.
- Zero Waste initiative— Susan waiting to hear back from Teikoku to confirm either Jan 25 or Feb 1 (Keith prefers Feb 1).

New Business

- Zero Waste event logistics:
 - The event will be called: Reducing Food Waste: Dining Out Mindfully.
 - The giveaway to attendees will be a reusable leftover container. Susan to order them from EcoSolutions, with Township logo.
 - The room at Teikoku holds up to 50 people. Jen will arrange for a projector.
 - Preregistration will be required.
 - Jen will try to get it in the next Crier.
 - Keith will give a 15-minute presentation to the group on food waste and how we can reduce it. Send any relevant ideas or articles to Keith so he can prepare his talk.
- The group voted to move ahead with a recommendation to the BOS to further consider a single trash vendor for the Township. Susan and Jen to prepare that.

Citizens Comments: None.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Willistown Environmental Sustainability Commission will be held on January 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Township Building.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Hartlein, Secretary