

Uwchlan Township Environmental Advisory Council

March 16, 2023 7 p.m. Meeting Minutes

Business:

1. February 2023 meeting minutes were approved.
2. March 14th Single Use Plastic Bag Ban Open House debrief and discussion: Residents and representatives from businesses attended, asked questions, information and reusable shopping bags were given out. Township staff will keep track of the public's concerns and will communicate with businesses as needed. A Frequently Asked Questions page will be considered and clarification of the ordinance language about the fifteen cent paper bag fee to customers.
3. Tree Vitalize Grant was approved. Susan discussed the area of the project at Baird Park, volunteer and staff labor, number of plants and that it would be best to do this project in the Fall. She will be the EAC contact with Bruce.
4. Chester County Solid Waste Authority Zero Waste Grant application: Susan and Alexa discussed that the application will be submitted soon after minor changes were made about the cost of the reusable bags.
5. Acker Park Stormwater Basin project is in progress and should be completed soon. Bruce discussed the project and Jim shared photos of it.
6. Litter Cleanup Events: Jim discussed this and will set up a schedule of cleanup dates and contact Penn DOT for the trash pickup on Route 100. Current volunteers will be contacted and clean up dates and locations will be advertised by the township and social media for community participation. There was discussion about shortening the length of the Adopt a Highway section and Jim will contact Penn DOT about this. Laura discussed setting up Litter Cleanups on or around Earth Day for community participation. There are some litter cleanups happening then (annual Brookwood neighborhood is one).
7. Rain Barrels: Susan has the sign-up list of people interested in getting a rain barrel from the Fall EAC Open House event. She said it would be good to get more people to sign up to get the discount fee of \$68 a barrel. She will follow up with this.
8. Heart of Uwchlan project: Toni said that 65 winter stratification seed jugs were set up by volunteers earlier in the winter and are outside at her property. The plants will be sourced at the Baird Park gardens, Rhondda project and other locations in the Spring months.
9. LCAP update: Bruce said that Mallori will present her report at the April EAC meeting and will send information for us to review in advance.
10. Open Discussion: members of the public in attendance were thanked for attending the meeting and asked if they would like to comment on any issues. A resident asked about the proposed warehouse development project review process.

