

## **UM Township EAC Meeting Agenda**

**July 18, 2017 – 6:45 pm**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Attendance
3. Approve minutes from June 20, 2017 meeting
4. Old Business
  - a. Farmers market – Chris and Kate attended on July 8
    - i. Interest was strong
    - ii. Need to select 7 rain barrel winners and contact people for pick-up
    - iii. 3 more farmers markets coming up
  - b. Emerald Ash Bore – Kate coordinated with Barley VanClief, Chair of the Shade Tree Commissions, as summarized in Kate’s June 27, 2017 email to the EAC
    - i. July 13, 2017 BOS meeting
    - ii. Wait to hear from Shade Tree folks about how we can help
  - c. Recycling containers at commercial facilities and bus stops
    - i. Chris planned on reaching out to B. Rudzinski for an update; maybe Bob can attend another EAC meeting if that would be productive
  - d. Alternative trash pick-up issues
    - i. EAC comments on Chris’s proposed emails to BOS regarding leaf and yard waste and reduced trash pick-up frequency, respectively
    - ii. Confirm with Bob Rudzinski whether UM Township has already applied for PADEP technical assistance grant (up to \$7,500) to hire consultant to perform trash/recycling study – still need to do
    - iii. Develop one-page information sheet notifying residents of requirements for leaf and yard waste; make available at next farmers market if possible

- iv. In the meantime, Chris will handle enforcement by photographing any yard waste in trash cans and sending pictures to Rudzinski
  - e. Meadows
    - i. Efforts to partner with another group to identify a location(s)
      - 1. Parks and Rec – we can discuss with Tina at upcoming farmers market
      - 2. Shade Tree and Beautification Commission – may be able to incorporate as part of project to replace ash trees (John’s idea)
      - 3. Montgomery County Conservation District
        - a. Krista confirmed after our March meeting that, once they have the inter-seeder equipment and are looking for municipalities to provide meadow demonstration sites, she will send more information on this
      - 4. Chris noted growth along SRW – step in the right direction
  - f. Township community fair in October – will EAC have a table?
    - i. Since we will be at the farmers market during October, we may not need to attend the community fair also.
5. New Business
- a. Is there a way we can restrict the use of plastic bags at the farmers markets? I spotted MANY. It seems counter to the underlying policy objectives.
6. Staff liaisons comments
7. Board liaisons comments