

## UM Township EAC Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2023

The meeting started at 6:40 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance taken:

**Zoom:** (4) Louise Willis, Jocelyn Bilker, Kabindra Shakya, Vicki Meitus

**In Person:** (5) Carole Kenney, Zach Davis, Theresa Landewe, Rose Grosso, Mark Vondra

**Absent:** (0)

Approval of July 12, 2023, minutes. Theresa moved, Mark seconded, all approved.

### Old Business:

- Plastic Pollution Reduction ordinance passed 5-0 by Board of Supervisors. Reviewed flyer and possible changes (cup picture). News release was sent out. Will send something to businesses. Consumers may receive/see the information at point of sale. Need FAQ on website no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>. Work with Don to finalize graphics that will be sent to businesses. Letter to businesses to be mailed prior to Labor Day. Possible include QR code to the new Ordinance. Put Ordinance on Website Looking to schedule open session with businesses that have questions sometime in last 2 weeks October or first 2 weeks in November Noticed some businesses are starting to transition slowly. Look at other townships websites and FAQ. Jocelyn will look into and recommended have a list of vendors who sell reusable bags, etc. There will be a Community Connection/Township talk dedicated to the new ordinance. Zach will confirm date. Talk to businesses to donate reusable bags for September 30<sup>th</sup> at the farmer's market.
- Rain Garden: PSU Extension Seminar on September 11<sup>th</sup> Need to solicit and schedule for October 14<sup>th</sup> for people to sign up for shifts. Theresa shared planning schedule. Planning meeting on August 16<sup>th</sup> open to all. There are 3 events coming up to get volunteers.

- Farmers Market: we are schedule for a table on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. We will have information regarding plastic Pollution Reduction ordinance, Rain Garden event, hand out reusable bags, typical information we have had in past, etc.
- Solar in UMT: want to increase solar power in Upper Merion. Carole continues to do more research on locations. Covered parking spaces with Solar Panels in UM Township Parking lot brought up. Theresa questioned who uses most electricity in the township? Community Center/Township Building
- ECDC meeting Recap
- Landscape netting

New Business:

- EAC Conference by WeConservePA is Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at WCU
- Composting Company: Mother Compost is interested in advertising waste collection services on the township website
- Citizen Board Appreciation will be September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Community Pool. Please sign up.

Additional Business:

- N/A

Board Liaison Comments:

- N/A

Public Comments:

- N/A

Adjournment:

- Theresa moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mark, all in favor.

APPROVED MINUTES DATE: 10/4/23 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_