

Middletown Township, Delaware County, PA  
**Environmental Advisory Committee**

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September 17, 2024 / 6:32-7:44 pm / Middletown Township Administration Building

**Attendees**

Jennifer Nichols (acting Chair), Linda Coulston, Joanne Rosenbaum, Geoff Arbogast, John Kolicius, Pauline Thompson

**Township Staff:** John McMullan

**Guests:** Melissa Faddis – S. New Middletown Road  
Trevor Penning – 614 Hoopes Lane  
Kayla Yingst – 412 Old Forge Road

**Call to Order** – 6:32 pm

**Meeting Opening**

- a. Call to order
- b. Attendance: See above
- c. Approval of July's Meeting Minutes
- d. Confirm Agenda

**Reports from Liaisons**

- a. Council: Liaison - John Kolicius – Church Building in R-2 District – traffic was main issue; TWP engineer has reviewed and will continue to review.
- b. Parks and Rec: Liaison - Geoff Arbogast – No topics discussed that involve the EAC.
- c. Zoning: Liaison – Geoff Arbogast – An Open House will be held at the TWP on September 30 to review draft proposed zoning changes.
- d. EAC Network: Liaison – Joanne – Media Borough using Republic Services for recycling - #7, #6, #4 or #3 to be picked up – Joanne is looking into the contract terms. We Conserve Website lists EAC event for October 5, 2024, to discuss Best Management Practices (BMPs) – Pauline plans on attending.

**Special Committees and Standing Topics**

- a. Newsletter – Joanne volunteered to be liaison to TWP
  - i. Quarterly schedule – Being published this upcoming weekend.
  - ii. Meredith Merino (TWP) desires content on stormwater and recycling.
  - iii. Provide 'Lights-Out' literature.
- b. Birdtown
  - i. Two focus issues – Threats and Habitats.
  - ii. Presenting to Council meeting tomorrow night (9/18).
  - iii. Darlington Preserve – Top meadow has plenty of native plants.
  - iv. Demonstration Meadow – consider creating one at Longview Park or Sleighton Farms.
  - v. Birdtown will issue a press release after acceptance at Council meeting.
- c. Survey
  - i. Create list of EAC idea projects and bring to September meeting.

## **Old Business**

- a. Goal setting
  - i. Initiatives: Home composting; **education sub-committee** (Joanne, Jen, and Kayla); review survey results; **energy audits (sustainability) of TWP buildings**; climate change adaptation education.
  - ii. Advertise household hazardous waste program run by Delaware County.
  - iii. Get the word out about Middletown Twp. parks, trails, and nature areas.

## **New Business**

- a. Pollinator gardens – Discussion raised by guest Melissa Faddis.
  - i. Stewardship program
  - ii. Pollinators Partners
  - iii. Pollinators.com
- b. Bike Delco – Just raised the topic, 'What can TWP do to make is safer to ride?'
- c. Raised topic flyer for McKee Property (Outrigger proposal).

## **Announcements**

Next Meeting is October 15, 2024, at 6:30 pm

Meeting Adjournment: 7:43 pm