

**Joint BOS/EAC Meeting Agenda**  
**September 29, 2022**

A. Review of EAC activities so far in 2022 (see Appendix) (5 minutes)

B. Proposed projects for the upcoming year (15 minutes)

- Expand our Education and Outreach programming to include activities such as a speakers' series; hands-on demonstrations or trainings; screening of films; and other steps to increase awareness of sustainability issues
- Institute a green award for individuals, organizations, and businesses within the township
- Expand tree giveaway (depends on how this first one goes)
- Focus on waste reduction (single use plastics; food waste; better recycling)
- Promote energy-saving steps for homeowners and businesses through education.
- To the extent the BOS wishes, work with township staff and other committees to promote green building practices and green energy infrastructure within the township
- To the extent the BOS wishes, promote steps toward achieving our 100% Clean Energy goals
- Continue special recycling services, including batteries and Christmas lights, plus others as we can develop them
- Increase joint activities and coordination between our Bird Town and Tree City programs
- Work to expand the trail system within the Township, coordinating with other committees as appropriate

C. Invite members of the BOS and public to present their idea, concepts, requests and discuss among all participants (15 minutes)

D. Other (10 minutes)

- The Township should be developing grant proposals regarding green infrastructure; storm water reduction and flooding mediation; renewable energy systems for township properties; etc. This will put us in a good position to submit once details are known about how much money will be available to PA from the Inflation Reduction Act and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill. We don't want to be scrambling to come up with ideas when the money is ready for distribution. These proposals could also be modified to submit for state-funded grants, which often are only available for "shovel-ready" projects.
- The Township's building/zoning/planning ordinances, such as the SALDO, can be updated to encourage or require private developers and homeowners to incorporate green infrastructure and sustainable building practices in their plans for new construction or renovation. To this end, the BOS could consider establishing a task force to look at the steps that can be taken. These changes should not cost the township any money.

E. Open Discussion (15 minutes)

## Appendix: List of EAC Activities and Accomplishments to date 2022

- Revamped battery recycling program, which remains extremely popular.
- Conducted a cleanup of the ramps into/from the township onto Route 309 (at Norristown Rd.), which are now marked “Adopted by LG EAC” by the state. Cleanups will be conducted twice yearly.
- Developed and are implementing the Township’s first native tree giveaway, including negotiating with vendors for trees and planting supplies; producing educational materials to help landowners select appropriate trees; designing informational mailings and developing website content in support of this; soliciting community volunteers. Will become yearly event.
- Finalizing application to become a Tree City; our acceptance has been pending our documentation of tree-specific initiatives such as our tree giveaway.
- Purchased native seeds for distribution at community events; produced accompanying educational materials to emphasize the importance of utilizing native plants for habitat restoration and stormwater management
- Re-started regular bird walks within township as part of our Bird Town program; we have done three since the spring.
- Six members attended the all-day regional EAC Network conference in February, including two associate members who paid for their own attendance. In addition, members participated in regular meetings of RF100 working group; SE PA Single Use Plastics Coalition; DVRPC training and educational presentations; BirdTownPA organizational meetings; PA Sustainability Summit; and more.
- Instituted monthly article in the e-news that provides a short notice or tip regarding and environmental issue. Also produced content for each bi-annual newsletter.
- Continually updated content for the EAC section of the township website.
- Initiated Christmas light recycling program, which collected 2 barrels of lights. Will now be yearly program.
- Developed storm drain marking program.
- Supported preparation of the Clean Energy Resolution.
- Researched possible avenues for promoting greener building practices within the township.
- Selected the first 15 locations for stream sign installations, to be completed in the next 6 months.
- Researched feasibility of installing SunBolt charging stations; established relationship with company owner that led to donation of two stations; worked with Parks and Recreation committee to get these stations built and installed in two township parks.
- Initiated planning for a green award within the township.