

Jenkintown Environmental Advisory Committee

Public Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, 06/03/26

Members Present: Maureen Lucak, Jennifer Poole-Pendergrass, Mimi Satterthwaite, Katherine Falso, Judy Levicoff, Mary Mertens

Attendees: George Locke

Approval of 05/06/26 Meeting Minutes

TOPICS:

Conservation

1. Bird Town PA –

- a. The process to become a recognized habitat was discussed; Maureen can provide information to those who wish to apply.

May 28: Katherine and Maureen attended the PA Bird Town Clutch Meeting at the Pennypack Environmental Center

Sustainability

2. **Single Use Plastic Initiative** – Jennifer needs to finish handing out the fliers to Jenkintown businesses.
3. **Open Burn Ordinance** – ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
4. **Ready For 100** –Jennifer presented to the Committee Workshop on May 20, 2026 and explained about the organization and proposed resolution to continue using alternative energy. The presentation was well received, and Bill Sabey was there to provide support. There were not enough committee members present for a quorum, but the proposed resolution was approved to be sent to the solicitor during the May 27 Committee Meeting. Jennifer will send it to the solicitor and ensure a timely response.

Community

5. **“Sustainable You” Workshops** – There was discussion of showing a butterfly movie at the High Way Theater and possible partnerships with High Way Theater and Abington EAC to support this event.
6. **Sustainability Fair** – It is time to start planning the 2026 fair; Mary and Mimi will start reaching out to organizations and Maureen will ensure we have the permit for the event. Permits have been issued.
7. **Classes and Events Attended by Members:**
 - a. May 13: Alex Khalil, Katherine and Maureen attended Lower Gwynedd's event with Republic trash and recycling
8. **Tuesday Nights of Summer in Town Square** – Maureen and Katherine will present about Bird Town during the June 9, 2026 night and Mimi and Judi will present about healthy storm drains and butterflies during the July 14, 2026 night.
9. **Car Idling** – The JEAC will discuss car idling before the start of the 2026-2027 school year at the Tuesday Night at Town Square with an emphasis on protecting young lungs. Maureen will also investigate if there is a no idling ordinance in Jenkintown.

Administration

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Wednesday, 07/01/26 at 7:00 pm via Zoom