Jenkintown Environmental Advisory Committee

Public Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, 09/02/26

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

Attendees: George Locke

Approval of 07/02/26 Meeting Minutes

TOPICS:

Conservation

1. **Bird Town PA** –
    a. Maureen gave bird houses to school
    b. Going to work on grant application (Due Sept. 15)

Sustainability

2. **Single Use Plastic Initiative** – Finished. Going to take off agenda.
3. **Open Burn Ordinance** – A Jenkintown resident wants to work on changing the ordinance to match surrounding communities.
4. **Ready For 100** – The draft ordinance will be presented in September to Committee Workshop. Maureen will be in attendance.

Community

5. **"Sustainable You" Workshops** – Showing the caterpillar movie with the High Way Theater will wait till 2027. Will be removed from the agenda for the rest of the year.
6. **Sustainability Fair** – It's coming up! Members will update and email who they have contacted and the status. More logistics were discussed like if we should or could give out plugs of milkweed.
7. **Classes and Events Attended by Members:**
    a. July 7: Compost meeting - Maureen
    b. July 23: Maureen met with Beaver Hill Garden Club to follow-up on their pollinator gardens. Everything is growing well. The Cosmos are flourishing poolside.
    c. July 28: EAC Town Hall meeting Cheltenham, Springfield and Jenkintown with Shannon from Napoleon Nelsons Office
    d. July 30: Upper Dublin Library
    e. August 3: Town Square Tree Canopy – Peter, Louisa, Anne, Lucinda and Maureen identified trees around Town Square and Yorkway Place
    f. August 19: Solarize Your Municipality – Maureen and Wild Ones National Webinar "The Ecology of Home: Creating Habitats that Work" – Maureen
    g. August 20: Andrew Conboy webinar on trees – Maureen
    h. August 25: EAC Town Hall meeting Cheltenham, Springfield and Jenkintown with Shannon from Napoleon Nelsons Office – Maureen and Jennifer
    i. August 26: Pennypack Ecological Trust & ArchWild Meadow Workshop – Maureen
    j. August 27 Greener Together Jenkintown, Cheltenham and Springfield Postponed due to rain (new date October 1)
8. **Tuesday Nights of Summer in Town Square –** Maureen, Judy and Katherine will have information about butterflies and the Sustainability Fair on Sept 8, 2026.
    a. July 14: Canceled due to heat
    b. August 11: Mary and Katherine spoke about recycling
9. **Pesticides –** There has been some worry about spraying at the school and near food. Jennifer will review state ordinances and legislation.

10. **Composting –** Maureen found an awesome compost bin and is thinking of finding if we can do a grant to get them to Jenkintown residents.
11. **Recycling–** Katherine will check where to recycle prescription bottles.

Administration

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Wednesday, 10/07/26 at 7:00 pm via Zoom