Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes September 19, 2012

A Public Meeting was held on the above date at the Salisbury Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 P.M. Committee members in attendance: Glenn Miller, Mary Ann Stinner, Jane Benning, Kreg Ulery, Commissioner Joanne Ackerman, Joseph Hebelka, Planning Commission Representative and Cynthia Sopka, Secretary to the EAC. Special Task Force member: Sandra Thomas was not present. Bruce Burchard and Randy Soriano, Township Manager were (excused) not present.

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Miller announced that all sessions of the Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council regular meetings are electronically recorded as required by the By-laws and for the purpose of taking the Minutes.

**NOTE: ERROR – THE TAPE DID NOT RECORD THIS MEETING; THE MINUTES ARE TAKEN FROM THE MEETING NOTES. **

Minutes - 07/18/2012

Motion was made by Mrs. Stinner, seconded by Mr. Ulery, to approve the July 18, 2012 Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes as amended. All in favor.

Report of officers and committees (including BOC, PC, Manager and /or Planning/Zoning:

Ms. Sopka highlighted the Planning and Board of Commissioners Meetings for the month. There was no meeting scheduled in June for Zoning.

Old Business

The members discussed the **Audubon Pennsylvania Bird Town**. They are interested and having a special meeting for October 2012. The members would like to educate the residents of the importance of a bird town status and what it does for the township. It was discussed to contact all potential speakers. Mr. Ulery advised at the last meeting that Mr. Steve Saffier of **Lehigh Valley Bird Town Coalition**, is willing to do a presentation.

New Business

Discussion ensued regarding each members respective projects.

Mr. Ulery working on contacting Mr. Saffier of the Lehigh Valley Bird Town Coalition for presentation.

Mrs. Ackerman and Mrs. Stinner have been working on recycling and composting seminar/workshop. It was discussed to start with composting for a 10 a.m. workshop followed by the recycling workshop at 11 a.m. Mrs. Ackerman stated at the last meeting that Mr. Richard Smith of Green Star/Waste Management offered to do a presentation/workshop for the community.

Mrs. Benning is assisting in the composting/recycling projects.

Mr. Miller is working on disposal of household hazardous wastes.

Ms. Sopka provided additional information to the EAC in regards to the **Salisbury Township Lindberg Park Study.** The committee is holding its first public meeting on September 17, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Township Building. They will discuss the first draft of the Lindberg Park Master Site Development Plan. Salisbury Township has received funding for this project through the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Two alternative sketch plans will be presented for public review and comment.

Workshops and Events

Lehigh County will offer free "anything with a plug" recycling events on September 22, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. will be held at three different locations:

- 1. Lehigh Carbon Community College at 4525 Education Park Drive in Schnecksville.
- 2. Olympus Corporate headquarters at 3500 Corporate Parkway in Center Valley.
- 3. Lowe's Home Improvement at 1235 Martin Court in Bethlehem.

Natural Cleaners September 22, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Learn how to make your own household cleaners the old-fashion way from ingredients that you already have in the kitchen. It is a great way to make your home greener and healthier. To register, contact Lauren Forster at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgeeprogramssp@pa.gov.

Lehigh County **National Drug Take Back Day** is scheduled for Saturday, September 29, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Salisbury Township residents can take their over-the-counter, expired or unused prescription medication to Salisbury Township Police Department, any police department and other locations at the 16 sites in the county.

Delaware River Basin Source Water Protection and Contaminants of Emerging Concern webinar is being offered on Tuesday, September 25, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Audio call-in number is 866-299-3188. Conference Code: 2158145422. Webinar address: https://epa.connectsolutions.com/swpcec

Tree Tenders Training, September 21, 2012 in Kutztown from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Montgomery County Stormwater and Sustainable Open Space BMP Bus Tour October 24, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Urban and suburban meadows presented by Edge of the Woods at www.edgeofthewoodsnursery.com Field Identification of Landscape Trees, September 13 & 14, 2012 at https://online.morrisarboretum.org/page.aspx?pid=392&srctid=1&erid=507893&trid=6c9bbba1-7879-401b-bbbf-afbc6469b974

Stormwater-Green Solutions beyond gray pipes, September 18 & 19, 2012 at www.pastormwater.org

Sustainable Landscapes Bus Tour Luzerne County, September 20, 2012. For more information or to register, email vjc1@psu.edu or call Penn State Extension in Luzerne County at 570-825-1701.

Backyard Stewardship Workshop, September 29, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Schuylkill Township Building. This is part of the PA Bird Town initiative to promote conservation as stewards of our backyards and community lands. http://pa.audubon.org/bird-town

Public Comments

None

Agenda for Next Meeting

Bird Town Pennsylvania.

Adjournment

The EAC members voted to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned. All in favor.