

Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council  
January 20, 2016 @ 7:00 PM

**Order of Business**

**Call to Order**

**Roll Call**

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• Kreg Ulery, Chair Person	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Rodney Conn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Jane Benning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Mary Anne Stinner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Karen El Chaar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Joanne Ackerman, (BOC liaison)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Cynthia Sopka (Secretary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Robert Agonis (Task Force Member)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Katherine Velekei (Task Force Member)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Notifications:** *All public sessions of the Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Committee regular meetings are electronically monitored (tape recorded) for the purpose of taking the Minutes. Public comment on agenda items will be entertained at the time the item is up for discussion; non-agenda related public comments will be entertained after the agenda*

**Review/Approve Minutes:**

Minutes from December 16, 2015

**Report of officers and committees**

- Zoning Hearing Board – No meeting due to no appeals.
- Planning: No meeting.
- Board of Commissioners Meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Glenn Miller submitted his resignation due to personal reasons. It was Mr. Miller's desire to assist with the development of the EAC's Public Education Outreach and Public Participation /Involvement Program. The EAC finalized our protocol for handling MS4 public education and public participation. The Council and Task force members were steadfast in developing a strong MS4 program for the benefit of the Township. Mr. Agonis was a primary factor in maintaining documentation of the Public Education Outreach and Public Participation/Involvement program which he shared with the EAC members. The EAC understands the project could evolve such as measurable goals may change due to a variety of projects.

The EAC motioned to formally adopt the MS4 Public Education, Outreach and Public Participation/Involvement program as submitted by Mr. Agonis, EAC Task Force Member. A copy of the project was shared with the MS4 Coordinator, Mr. Sandy Nicolo.

**New Business:**

1. EAC reorganization for Chairperson and Vice-chairperson.
2. The Salisbury Township EAC would like to open discussion with residents regarding storm water issues.

3. The Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners held their reorganization meeting on January 4, 2016 at which time Mr. James Brown nominated Mr. Rodney Conn as representative of the 4<sup>th</sup> WARD to the EAC. Mr. Conn will not be available to attend the January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting due to a prior commitment.
4. Preparation of the Annual Report – The secretary has provided a DRAFT with input from Mr. Ulery, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Hebelka of the EAC Annual Report.
5. Update regarding the LCCD regarding the joint (Salisbury Township/South Whitehall Township) rain barrel workshop. The preparatory meeting was held on January 11, 2016 at 9:00 AM at the Lehigh County Conservation District (LCCD). The date of the workshop is scheduled for April 2, 2016 and will consist of 2 one-half hour sessions starting at 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM and 9:30 AM to 10:00 AM. The location will be the Municipal Campus of South Whitehall Township where the Department of Public Works is housed. We anticipate approximately 100 barrels to be donated for this event. We will advertise accordingly and the program will be a first come first serve basis. Volunteers will be needed to help with the cleaning, preparation and assembly of the barrels. They will be housed at the public works garages in South Whitehall. Both Townships agree to actively advertise the workshop via newspaper, Facebook pages, Township websites, and respective school districts.
6. The Township will need some volunteers to help with the preparation of the barrels. We anticipate the workshop will be held either in March or April of 2016.
7. Friends of Allentown Parks in conjunction with Faith Church and Salisbury Township EAC are proposing another clean up at Walking Purchase Park in April 24, 2016. Last year the event utilized volunteers (approximately 200 individuals from Faith Church). However we will need to plan for more dumpsters. Prior to the event the Township Staff will walk the site to get a perspective of the amount of debris that has been illegally dumped at the park.
8. Karen ElChaar provided an email regarding the Annual Cherry Blossom Festival slated for Saturday April 30, 2016 from 10:00 AM through 5:00 PM. The event will take place at Cedar Beach/Cedar Creek Parkway. This could provide an opportunity for the STEAC to address MS4 criteria as well as provide educational brochures regarding storm water, rain gardens, rain barrels, etc. There are resources with both the Lehigh County Conservation District (LCCD) and the Master Watershed Stewards for programs of this nature
9. Karen ElChaar provided an additional opportunity for the STEAC to participate in an event featuring the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Bogerts Covered Bridge on Sunday June 12, 2016. There are resources with both the LCCD and the Master Watershed Stewards for programs of this nature
10. PUBLIC COMMENT