

## 7/19/23 Buckingham EAC Meeting Minutes

**Present:** R. Foster, D. Robb, A. Strout, D. Smith, L. Mein, M. Rash, J. Walter

**Absent:** S. Yerkes

**Visitors:** Nick Lyon, Sam Losorelli

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

### **New business**

The June EAC meeting minutes were reviewed, discussed and approved with a minor modification.

**Buckingham Day results:** Once again, the children in attendance developed a nice poster for display at the township building and enjoyed doing it. The adults had pointed questions regarding drinking water; Jim Walter was excellent at answering their questions. This level of interest bodes well for our upcoming round table! Maggie Rash will bring a map of the township water districts to our next meeting.

### **Old/ongoing business**

**Single-use plastic survey update:** The survey results are in and tabulated; there is a clear majority of residents in favor of restricting/prohibiting their use. Next steps are to initiate a discussion with retail businesses; it was noted that these are located at opposite ends of the township and both areas need to be brought into the discussions. It was further agreed that this is best handled face to face rather than through a survey. Separate to this discussion but still on the subject of plastic, it was noted that some waste haulers in the township do not appear to be actually recycling what they pick up. This was tabled in the absence of actual data.

**Roundtable:** The plan to date was reviewed for our two visitors. Don Robb added that starting the event with a primer on terms would be appropriate. It was agreed that the Buckingham waterways consultant should be part of the event. Nick Lykon recommended that the Bucks County Conservation District should be part of the event and noted that the BCCD has grants available for things like manure management. Karen Ogden and Ryan Herstine were recommended as potential speakers. In order to keep things moving in the absence of an August meeting updates to be provided by email.

**Reforest Buckingham project:** With regard to HOAs applying for trees to be planted, only one application was received before the initial cut-off date. However, there are 500 trees that are not currently spoken for; Laura will work to finalize the letter on township letterhead with an updated due date of September 17.

**Township website:** Our Helpful Pages have been published to the website but, as previously noted, are nearly impossible to find. Maggie Rash has agreed to try to get them moved to the home page.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Smith  
Secretary and Vice Chair