

Easton Environmental Advisory Council

02 SEPTEMBER 2025 / 6:00 PM / CITY HALL & ONLINE (HYBRID)

Attendees

DVAA Bill, Flore, Robert MacDonald, Ellen Iobst, Tanya Ruiz, Heidi Shiver, Crystal Rose, Molly B, Rebecca Innes, Barbara Malt, Vibhor (Bethlehem EAC), Kare Semmens, Mary Arlia, Stacy Melvin, Tom Pritchett, Ian Kindle, Nicholas Gorski, Brandon Sullivan, Paul Schalow

Agenda

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

- Stacy motioned to approve, Mary motioned 2nd, All in favor 5-0.

Approval of August Meeting Minutes

- Mary motioned to approve, Stacy motioned 2nd, All in favor 5-0.

Dark Sky Presentation

- Stacy introduced the introduction of the Dark Sky presentation and panel of experts to speak on the subject.

Public Comments

- Tom asked Brandon about current lighting used by MET ED and City, Brandon spoke on current lighting and wattage.

Reports

Climate Action Plan: Kate S.

- No report was made.

Greenspaces: Ian K.

- Reported that the City GIS issues are still ongoing. The situation is still being monitored. Report on current data to be followed up.

Transportation: Nick G.

- Mention of the Grant announcement for Street Scape improvements was made.

Waste & Recycling: Mary A.

- Clean ups are ongoing. West Ward Market cleanups in October moved in October. Clean up dates changed to October 11th and November 8th due to festivals. Community grown West Ward clean up mentioned.

Communications: Robert M.

- Research for events related to Climate Change is still ongoing. Report will be made in October for any updates.

Sustainability: Brandon S.

- Comment was made for both Forestry and Sustainability. Replacement Date for Hazelnut Fest to be determined and announced. Interim Climate change goal to be presented to City Council at the next meeting. Resolution to vote on subject to be made at the following City Council meeting. Plastic Reduction event was mentioned.

City Urban Forestry: Rob C.

- Brandon made a Report for Forestry.

Membership Updates: Nick G.

- Membership appointments and volunteers are still ongoing. Communications committee to send an email out to Tracy regarding membership advertisement.

New Business

Lehigh Valley EAC Breakfast Meeting

- The breakfast meeting was announced. Easton EAC offered to host the event. Date and location to be announced. Mary motioned to approve, Robert M motioned 2nd. Discussion followed the motions. All in favor, 5-0.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:30. Mary motioned to approve, Stacy motioned 2nd, All in favor 5-0.