

**Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2025**

Attendees: Dan Dehner, Bill Silverstein, Jenny Ashbrook, Karen Shinkle, Paul Nuschke

Regrets: Krikor Panossian, Cory Salmon, Michael Krauss

Next Steps / Identified Action Items:

Date Identified	Responsible Person	Description	Due Date	Date Completed
2025-10-22	Dan	Provide Maureen the Approved Minutes to post to the website	By next meeting	
2025-10-22	Dan	Ask Maureen when the bidding process begins for Township Recycling.	By next meeting	
2025-10-22	Dan	Ask Maureen how resident addresses does the Township serve regarding Recycling and Trash Collection	By next meeting	
2025-10-22	Dan	Reach out to CRC and ask about an existing group in NP that does cleanup of waterways	By next meeting	
2025-10-22	Dan	Ask Maureen about the recycling at the Township yard for smaller electric stuff	By next meeting	

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2025-10-22	Dan	Ask Maureen about Electronic Recycling - either PRC or a more local group?	By next meeting	

Agenda:

1. Approve Minutes:

- i. Discussion:
 - 1. Approved
- ii. Next Steps:
 - 1. Dan to provide Approved PDF version to Maureen

2. EAC Charter:

- i. Identifying environmental problems.:
 - 1. Recycling
 - 1. Where does plastic waste go?
 - a. Discussion
 - i. Bill: Republic picks up the Recycling
 - ii. Glass:
 - 1. Facility in Allentown which sorts the colors
 - iii. Plastic:
 - 1. Is it being used?
 - iv. Invoice Review
 - 1. We pay ~\$105/ton
 - 2. Currently we pay \$50/ton
 - 3. How much is being collected?
 - 1. There are greater numbers than just counting from Republic
 - 4. Unsure when the process of bidding begins
 - 1. Dan, Ask Maureen

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2. How many resident addresses does the Township serve?
 - a. Discussion
 - i. Either 1400 or 4100
 - ii. Dan, Ask Maureen
3. Recycling Bags (Michael Krauss)
 - a. To be used as a alternative to stickers ([Link](#))
2. Gas Powered Gardening Equipment
 1. In SLC, they use electronic powered gardening equipment - the results, less decibels to listen to
3. Downed Trees
 1. Somewhat related topic: (From Janelle) Tree Tenders
 - a. An organization which will train participants in conservation and tree planting
 - b. There is a Tree Tender Course: [Tree Tender Class Inquiry - Formstack](#)
 - c. Purchasing trees would need to come from either Grants or the township
 - d. Those who took the course would lead the efforts in planting
- ii. Recommending plans and programs for the promotion and conservation of the natural resources and for the protection and improvement of the quality of the environment within the area of this township:
 1. public education campaign on pesticides or the MS4 program (Karen Shinkle)
 1. Comments from Township Manager:
 - a. There is a flier, might be posted out in - posted occasionally - advising to not use pesticides which flow into the stream
- iii. Making recommendations as to the possible use of open land areas of this township
 1. Sapovits Park
 1. Observed Township workers spraying herbicide in/near a waterway, specifically Emerald Run
 - a. [Pics](#) .
 - b. From Maureen Feyes, Township Manager

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- i. It was not Herbicide being sprayed, rather it was a vinegar solution
 - ii. The township employees have since been trained on what areas to allow to grow.
 - iv. Keeping an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including but not limited to flood-prone areas, swamps and other unique natural areas
 - 1. Comprehensive Plan
 - 1. Currently stalled
 - 2. See **New Business**
 - v. Undertaking such additional duties as requested by the Township Commissioners
 - 1. No Requests from Township Commissioners
- 3. **Administrative:**
 - i. Looking for another "Member" to complete the term vacated by Chris Mano
- 4. **New Business:**
 - i. Darby Creek Valley Association:
 - 1. Hosting a Fall Clean Up on Saturday, October 25th
 - 1. Several locations ([link](#))
 - 2. Do we (Nether Providence Township) have a similar clean-up?
 - 2. Registration Link: [DCVA 2025 Watershed Wide Fall Cleanup Captain Signup](#)
 - ii. Are there creeks in Nether Providence Township?
 - 1. Can we plan a cleanup day for the creeks in Nether Providence? - Dan, get hold of Carly and ask - also ask about and existing group in NP that does cleanup
 - iii. I know the PRC hosts electronic recycling
 - 1. Is there anything Nether Providence can do to address "Interim" opportunities?
 - 1. Best Buy has a recycling
 - 2. Dan, Ask Maureen about the recycling at the Township yard for smaller electric stuff
 - 3. Dan, ask Maureen about Electronic Recycling - either PRC or a more local group?

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5. Calendar Review:

6. Adjourn:

7. Next Meeting:

- i. Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 7:00 PM at the Township Building:

- 1. **NOTE 1:** The November and December EAC meetings will be on the 3rd Wednesday of the month
- 2. **NOTE 2:** Beginning in January, 2026, the EAC meetings will move to the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Recycling Bags







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Darby Creek Clean Up Locations

- **Darby Creek Trail** - Haverford Township - Site Captain Kyle Gaumann
(Registration Closed)
- **Idle Hour Tennis Club** - Upper Darby Township - Site Captain Marty Lenz
- **Bloomfield and Rosemont** - Upper Darby Township - Site Captain Maureen McMahon
- **Kent Dog Park** - Upper Darby Township - Site Captain Sarah Scepansky
- **Swedish Cabin** - Upper Darby Township - Site Captain Maggie Reilly
- **Intersection of Walnut Park Drive & Briarcliff Road** - Upper Darby Township - Site Captain Lauren Entrekin
- **Penn Pines Park** - Upper Darby Township - Site Captain Harry Kalish