



Mar 19, 2025 | 📅 WV Sustainability Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:12PM

Committee Attendance: Kip Archinal, Jack Playchak, Andrea Fonash, Chris Taylor, Kirk Reinbold, Ned Foley, Dana Alan: via phone

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Not enough members were present at February's meeting, due to health issues.

Manager's Report: None

New Business

- Sustainability Committee Initiatives:
Kip brought copies of the updated initiatives. Chris proposed to pass the initiatives, Ned seconded, Kip & Andrea agreed. Kirk abstained. Dana suggests a cover letter when the initiatives are submitted to the Supervisors.
- Water Quality Initiative: Andrea brought up regarding the required septic pumping that other Townships do as a requirement every 3 years. This is something to look into. Dana looked up when last discussed: In 2023 was when the Supervisors spoke about the required septic pumping.
- Social Media:
 - Andrea spoke about the FaceBook page getting set up, it's not a "Township" sponsored page, but will link back to the Township Page to help grow followers for the township page. "Keeping Chester County Clean, Green & Thriving"
 - Everyone will send Andrea 1 topic for the page by Sunday, 8pm
- Energy:
 - Kirk: WV is invited to participate in a shared energy manager, with 4 engineers. Come up with options for the Township car fleets. Electric lawn equipment, solar for public works building, Confirm that the solar we have IS registered with the State, we should receive money back from the State for creating renewable energy. Giving us good verbiage for solar ordinances for codes. Find balance between making it easier for residential properties, but not necessarily for farms so farms don't become 20 acres of solar panels.
 - Kirk: Regionally: Green schools campaign, 9-12 graders involved in writing initiatives. 63 Districts!
- Stickers to help remind consumers to bring their bags into the store
 - Kip: Artwork by local school for stickers that remind you to bring your bags into the grocery store. "Don't forget me!" with the theme to not forget grocery bags.
- Composting:



- Ned: Composting update: quirk with DEP permit requires a site visit, trying to get it scheduled. They like to walk the farm and see where it's going to be located. Would start as a small area that could be expanded upon. Again, need to start somewhere to be able to get it going and hopefully grow. End goal is that there is less going to the landfill
- Community day:
 - Dana: No one wanted to really be involved and Ken did not want to do it alone. Let's see what the new manager is going to come up with, he had some ideas.
- Yard Sale: Skip for the spring. Maybe fall?
- Committee Get Together: Kip suggested the Township has a Breakfast get together where everyone talks about what each group's initiatives are?
- Township Liaison: We will miss Charlene and her wealth of knowledge. Dana: They are working on a liaison for us.
- Audience? EAC has quite a bit going on!
- Junior Committee Volunteer:

Jack Planchak: looked up how to bank CO₂. Can do this with rocks. Can start with 5-10# of crushed rock. The finer the particles, the more they process the CO₂. Can mix it into the garden soil. Best for flower beds & veggie patches. Can sprinkle the rock powder into your compost. In 4x4 garden can bank 2-4# of CO₂.

8:26 pm Meeting Adjourned.

