

**Salisbury Township  
Environmental Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
December 21, 2011**

A Public Meeting was held on the above date at the Salisbury Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 P.M. Committee members in attendance: Glenn Miller, Louis Cinquino, Jane Benning, and Cynthia Sopka, Secretary to the EAC. Mary Ann Stinner, Bruce Burchard, Joseph Hebelka, Planning Commission Representative, Commissioner Joanne Ackerman and Randy Soriano, Township Manager (excused) were not present. Special Task Force members: Glenn Minnick, Samantha Dorney and Sandra Thomas (excused) were not present.

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Miller announced that all sessions of the Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council regular meetings are electronically recorded as required by the By-laws and for the purpose of taking the Minutes.

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Motion was made by Mrs. Benning, seconded by Mr. Cinquino, to approve the November 16, 2011 Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes as submitted. All in favor.

**Report of officers and committees (including BOC, PC, Manager and /or Planning/Zoning:**

Ms. Sopka highlighted the Zoning, Planning and Board of Commissioners Meetings for the month.

**Old Business**

Ms. Sopka stated that the **Audubon Pennsylvania Bird Town** will be placed on hold until 2012.

**New Business**

Ms. Sopka advised that the **Annual Report Preparation** needs to begin. She stated that the EAC members should start a draft of the environmental portion of the report. Therefore, the members discussed the year's accomplishments on a month-to-month basis and its process. Discussion ensued with the NRI from the NRI draft to finalization, Walking Purchase Park Clean-ups and the Rain Barrel Workshop. They discussed the conferences that some members were able to attend. They discussed their pending projects, such as, the creation of the Standard Operating Procedures for the website and the Memorial Tree Plantings. They concluded with topics of interest for future projects, e.g. battery collection and E-cycling of electronics.

Ms. Sopka stated that the members should evaluate the Environmental portion of the Comprehensive Plan to be sure it depicts the value of Salisbury Township relative to the region referenced in the NRI because it will be the guideline for the next 10 years. Ms. Sopka stated an example would be to focus on certain locations within the Township that need protection and recognizing that they are valuable resources, e.g. headwaters, vernal pools, springs and seeps, etc.

**Comprehensive Plan Public Meeting** is scheduled for January 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

**Public Comments**

None

**Agenda for Next Meeting**

**Adjournment**

The EAC voted to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.