

Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council  
August 17, 2016 @ 7:00 PM

**Order of Business**

**Call to Order**

**Roll Call**

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• Kreg Ulery, Chair Person	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Rodney Conn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Jane Benning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Mary Anne Stinner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Karen El Chaar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Joanne Ackerman, (BOC liaison)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Cynthia Sopka (Secretary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Robert Agonis (Task Force Member)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Katherine Velekei (Task Force Member)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Notifications:** *All public sessions of the Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Committee regular meetings are electronically monitored (tape recorded) for the purpose of taking the Minutes.*

**Review/Approve Minutes:**

Minutes from July 20, 2016

**Report of officers and committees**

1. Zoning Hearing Board – there were no zoning appeals in July
2. Planning – There was no meeting in July 2016.
3. Board of Commissioners Meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

- The Salisbury Township EAC would like to open discussion with residents regarding storm water issues. For additional information on MS4 projects or guidance please feel free to contact Sandy Nicolo MS4 coordinator for Salisbury Township at 610-797-4000 to express concerns, report an incident or just request more information.
- Ms. Sopka has been identifying guidance on Low Impact Development (LID) in accordance to the requirement provided by PADEP. Once the research is complete then work will occur to incorporate it into our Ordinances, as required.
- Mr. Agonis has resubmitted the guidance to end illegal dumping in the Township. The intent is to share this information with the ST Board of Commissioners. It was recommended to utilize a power point presentation that would be brief and concise for the benefit of the BOC. The content of the two slides include the following information:

**Illegal Dumping in Salisbury is Both Profitable & Low Risk**

- Some Neighbor Communities Have NO Contract Trash Removal
- Salisbury Does Not Have Dumping Ordinance
- Little/No Enforcement of Existing Nominal \$300 Littering Fine

- Many Recyclables & Hazardous Waste Items Now Require Payment

### **STEAC Urges BOC to Take Action**

#### **We Recommend that the BOC:**

- Enact Appropriate Legislation
- Implement Effective Action Plan
- Inform Lehigh Valley Residents

#### **STEAC is Eager to Assist**

- Written Preliminary Recommendation
  - Investigation of Best Practices by Other Municipalities
  - Engagement with Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful
  - Other BOC Requests?
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- Salisbury Township Stormwater basin retrofit has a deadline of December 2016. The work to date that has been performed is:
    - a. Removal of Japanese knotweed via goats (2015)
    - b. Follow up removal of Japanese knotweed via herbicide (2015)
    - c. Removal of fencing
    - d. Removal of diseased trees
    - e. Removal of purple loosestrife (which came back)
    - f. Grading of site and relocation of large stones for sitting area
    - g. Pathway created from parking lot to seating area required for ADA access
    - h. Prepared a memo to address outstanding items relative to completion of the basin project. Provided to Township Manager.
    - i. DPW removed tree roots, fence posts and excess cinders from the inlet.
    - j. DPW excavated a large portion of the basin, created the meandering water path, removed additional purple loosestrife and salvaged most of the cattails.
  - We need to get information out to our community via the website. We should consider items to discuss.
  - Keep PA beautiful is accepting applications for community improvement mini-grants. This is the link for the grant: <http://www.keppabeautiful.org/GrantsAwards/25in25.aspx>
  - PUBLIC COMMENT