

## **WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP RECYCLING COMMISSION (WRC) MEETING MINUTES**

**February 9, 2021 AT 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Willistown Township Recycling Commission came to order at 7:03 via Zoom.

Members present: Bruce Hartlein, Karl Malessa, Susan Vogel, Mark Bem, Ken Lehr and Don Knapik  
Township Staff: Jennifer Jacobs

### **Old Business**

- The Minutes from January 12 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Susan confirmed the planned visit to CC Solid Waste Facility. March 24 with March 31 as rain date. The trip is planned to be 10AM-2PM time commitment.
- New member search continues. Position will be advertised until Feb 19. There has been interest. Don announced that he is moving to NY so he suggested that we select two new members and he will step aside when the replacement is ready to start.
- Compliance letter to businesses. The group reviewed and approved the draft. Compliance date was established as 90 days from the date of the letter and Bruce will be the contact if there are any questions. Bruce to complete letter and send it to Jennifer for review and approval by Township Manager and Supervisors.

### **New Business**

- Township Manager Sally Slook received Susan's letter regarding a name change for WRC and an expanded role for the Recycling Commission. Sally and Supervisor Shoemaker were supportive and suggested renaming either: Environmental Advisory Commission or Sustainability Advisory Commission. Sections 46-1 and 46-2 of the Township Code will have to be modified. Susan will draft the changes for the next meeting for approval by the Commission and submission to the Township and Township Solicitor for approval and to formalize the recommended changes to the Code.
- Karl presented the Retrievr contract. He still has some questions so will finalize at meeting next month and then send on to Township and Solicitor to review and sign contract. Karl to confirm revenue sharing, tonnage reporting and that will not impact our ability to conduct our usual Township events. Retrievr will be a welcome service to citizens in lieu of the township events that have been cancelled due to Covid.
- Other: Don said that he stopped by ProShred at 25 Industrial Boulevard in Paoli and they are open for walk up service 10-2 on Saturdays. Karl reported that he emptied the CD/VCR bin on Jan 25.
- No constituent correspondence in past month.

**Citizen's Comments**

- Brian Evarts commented that he preferred “Sustainability” to “Environmental” when we are considering the name change because it is a broader term that he thinks will be beneficial to the Commission in the future. Thank you, Brian.
- Regular contributor, Zachary Leahan said that he updated his recycling database which can be accessed at [malvernrecycling.com](http://malvernrecycling.com). Notable additions were: PECO recycling old refrigerators and offering \$75, Community Eco in Phoenixville recycles used Brita filters (Karl added that Brita will recycle their filters for free if you have 5 lbs of pitchers, filters or other Brita stuff to send back. Go to [brita.com/recycling-filters/](http://brita.com/recycling-filters/)).

**Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting of the Recycling Commission will be held on March 9, 2021 at 7:00pm at location to be determined.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce Hartlein, Secretary