

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

August 14th, 2025 - MEETING MINUTES - MEETING HELD IN PERSON ONLY

**Convene Meeting:** 7:10 pm

**Attendance**

- EAC Members: Jim Gill, Mike Clime, Laura Gardiner, Peyton Martoccio, Melissa Eddy
- BOS Liaison: Lorna Yearwood
- Public: None

**Correspondence**

- An EAC application was received - will review

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes**

- Laura motions to approve June minutes and Mike seconds – All in favor

**Public Comment**

- None

**Discussion Topics**

1. Birdtown & Parks and Land Preservation Board Initiatives/Signage
  - a. Birdtown posters have been posted
    - i. Three upcoming webinar opportunities are available (native plants, township ordinances, return on environment)
  - b. Blackout initiative from 12am-6am to help with bird migration
  - c. Grant opportunity updates
    - i. Native tree saplings
      1. Can look into planting shade trees at Peppermint Park - would need to confirm with Parks and Recreation
      2. Saplings will be available to Bucks County residents in October 2025 - EAC can post about this on Facebook (free to the public, more logistics to come)
  - d. Purple Martin house updates
    - i. The first set of houses were a success - it is now the end of the nesting season
2. E-waste Recycling
  - a. A recycling event with Responsible Recycling Service (RRS) has been scheduled for Saturday, October 11th, 2025 from 10am-12pm (or until the truck is full) at Springfield Elementary School
  - b. Discussion on additional logistics (road signs)
3. Projects with Environmental Implications
  - a. A couple of developments are underway - discuss property ordinances (building on slopes, agricultural land, stormwater runoff)
4. Updates
  - a. Comprehensive Plan - Protection of Natural Resources - an EAC member, a BOS liaison member, and a Planning Commission member will meet to discuss
  - b. Steering Committee - an EAC member will join the committee

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**Comments/Upcoming Events**

- No EAC comments
- BOS Liaison comments
  - The Springfield Elementary education theme for the 2025-2026 school year will be pollinating insects.
  - The township bought a mower to use at Peppermint Park and mowed in the spring/summer. Bird populations may have been affected since mowing occurred earlier in the season. Discuss upcoming mowing schedules to limit nesting interference.
- No public comment

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 pm

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:35 pm