

TOWNSHIP OF MEDFORD
ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EAAC) MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026– 7:00 pm
MEDFORD TOWN HALL, 49 UNION STREET

I. Roll Call Meeting began at 7:03
Present: Pola Galie, Deb Evans, EJ Tenthoff, Alice Levas, Sandra Krueger, Ileen Wright, Nicole Savaiano,
Guests: Angela Sforza (Twp. Liason), Jim Burke, Heather Hudson, Alexis Trautman
Absent: Brian Pelloni

II. Reorganization and Oath of Office - Angela Sforza administered the Oath of Office to the members. Reorganization included electing Pola Galie as Chair, Deb Evans as Vice Chair and Ed Tenthoff as Recording Secretary.

III. Review/approve minutes of November 2025 Meeting

- The November minutes were approved on a motion and second.

IV. Public Comments (limited to 5 minutes per person)

Heather Hudson is a resident and says the Medford PO is run down and has no landscaping. She hopes a group of interested people and organizations can work together to improve the PO visual presentation. There are 51 employees and our first lady post master.

Motion by Nicole and Deb to perform discovery on this concept was passed.

VI. Old Business

- Sustainable NJ Certification Update - revamping the project and no certifications this year. We will still work on the project.
- Green Team – Friends of the Green Team Meetings Update - Nicole reporting the January meeting will work on the Halloween costume project and the Repair Cafe. Recent Moorestown event is a good example for us. They shared their documentation with us.
- Grant Applications/Projects
 - a. Subcommittee for Hartford Crossing Project - waiting for the council's response
 - b. Community Energy Planning Grant - nothing announced
- Trex Recycling project update - We started in 2021 and have kept 5 tons of plastic out of landfills. Portal currently closed so latest deliveries have not yet been recorded. Jim Burke recommended that we announce our display or success more prominently.
- Revised Tree Ordinance/EAAC responsibilities.
- Adopt A Drain Program (w/Brian Cop, DPW Ass't Director)
- Community Composting Project Implementation - Ready to begin with this. Paperwork is in progress.
- "Skip the Stuff" The law has passed for the state. Do we need/want anything from the township if this is now a state law?

Monitor:

- Pedestrian & cycling related assistance and Twp. grants (Coordination with DVRPC, Cross County Connection, NJDOT & Burlington County)
- Community Composting Project (Presentation 6/10/25)
- Bike Rodeo in coordination with Police Dept.
- ROSI – Complete Review and Recommendation
- NJ Future – Technical Assistance for FEMA Community Rating System/Flood Resiliency & Mitigation
- Green Product Education – Discussion/Continued promotions
- Utility Line Tree Cutting

V. New Business –

- Review/Revision of EAAC/Green Team Charter (Ed Tenthoff) – Our current charter provides no responsibility or authority. It basically talks about trees. Ed talked about the Zoning Review Board often requiring tree plantings as part of Zoning approval but there is

no way to ensure such work is done. EAAC would be a perfect organization to place such review.

We agreed to begin developing elements of a new charter. We will get copies of similar local charters to review.

- River Keeper Proposal (Ed Tenthoff) – There was talk about multiple people or organization to do the review. Also talked about Facebook to collect citizen input on river issues. General agreement that it is a good idea. It will be added to our new Charter. Nicole also discussed the NJ Watershed Institute Salt Watch program where people collect and record data collected in fresh water streams and lakes before and after storm events to measure Chloride levels from road salt runoff. She is personally doing this now but it could be an EAAC activity,
- April 14 Educational Program – Trying to get Steve Elliott to talk on river keeper. Maybe recycling group to talk. Angela getting space and projection equipment for the meeting at the Police building.
- Arbor Day Observances - Still do the schools, but do other things like a green fair to display our goals and information and move the time of the year to a warmer time.

VI. Planning & Zoning Considerations

- Review of Application Plans submitted to Planning & Zoning Office

VII. Next meeting – February 10, 2026 at 7 pm

VIII. Adjournment at 8:55 on motion by Nicole and Deb