

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026– 7:00 pm
MEDFORD TOWN HALL, 49 UNION STREET

I. Roll Call

- Present: Pola Galie, Brian Pelloni, Nicole Saviano, Alexis Trautman, Alice Levas, Sandra Krueger, Ileen Wright
- Absent: James Burke, Deborah Evans
- Guests: Angela Sforza (Township Liaison)

II. Opening Statement by Pola Galie

- It was noted that Ed Tenthoff decided to resign from the EAAC for personal reasons
- Ms. Galie reminded the Committee that communication and cooperation were critical to the successful operation of the group, especially now. It was noted that any communications on behalf of the Committee or the Green Team should be copied to the Chairperson and any other appropriate representatives, and that members should respect and operate within the fundamental structure of municipal government. Patience on projects and responses in that regard are important, and the Committee should be mindful of that when planning activities.

III. Review/approve minutes of May 2026 Meeting

- Brian Pelloni moved to approve the minutes, Nicole Saviano second – unanimously approved
- Alice Levas moved to appoint Brian Pelloni as the new Secretary, Ileen Wright second – unanimously approved

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

- None

VI. Old Business

- Sustainable NJ Certification Update
 - No update
- Green Team–Friends of the Green Team Meetings Update
 - a. Repair Cafe After Action
 - The event was reported as a major success with 13 repair coaches appearing, 71 intakes received, and over 200 items brought in for repair. Nicole Saviano built a framework for the event from scratch, with assistance from Delran and Hainesport helpers. It was very well received by the residents. .
 - b. ADDED ITEM: Halloween Costume Exchange
 - The Township approved the use of Cranberry Hall for this event
 - c. ADDED ITEM: Oktoberfest
 - Nicole Saviano moved to have the Green Team set up a display and volunteer at the Oktoberfest event, Alexis Trautman second – unanimously approved
- Grant Applications/Projects
 - a. Subcommittee for Hartford Crossing Project
 - Signage needs to be designed and addressed for the educational component of this project
 - b. 2026 PSE&G Foundation Grant Application
 - No update
 - c. ANJEC Pollinator Grant Status
 - No response has been received to date, not likely to be received
- Review/Revision of EAAC/Green Team Charter (including RiverKeeper)
 - No update
- June 6th Event for Earth Day/Community Yard Sale
 - This event will be a “Green Fair” next year (1st Saturday in June 2027), done in partnership with Burlington County

Monitor:

- Pedestrian & cycling related assistance and Twp. grants (Coordination with DVRPC, Cross County Connection, NJDOT & Burlington County)
 - No update
- Bike Rodeo in coordination with Police Dept.
 - No update
- ROSI – Complete Review and Recommendation
 - No update
- NJ Future – Technical Assistance for FEMA Community Rating System/Flood Resiliency & Mitigation
 - No update
- Trex Recycling project update
 - Pola Galie noted that we are still averaging approximately 100 pounds per week in plastic deliveries to the recycling center.
- Adopt A Drain Program
 - Pola Galie noted that the program is still growing, and more community awareness is needed.
- Community Composting Program
 - Pola Galie noted that the composting program has had a slow start, but there are currently 25 people signed up to participate. Efforts will continue to get the word out about the availability to participate.
- Data Center Ordinance
 - Alexis Trautman noted that this ordinance was on the agenda for the Township meeting tonight.

V New Business –

- Summer Meeting Schedule
 - Brian Pelloni moved to skip a July meeting, Alexis Trautman second – unanimously approved
- Beyond Plastics Movie Showing for Plastic Free Month
 - Brian Pelloni moved to make an official request of the Township for the EAAC to support the showing of the Beyond Plastics movie during July, Alice Levas second – unanimously approved

V. Planning & Zoning Considerations

- Review of Application Plans submitted to Planning & Zoning Office
 - None

VII. Next meeting – August 11, 2026

VIII. Adjournment

- Brian Pelloni moved to adjourn the Meeting at 8:31pm, Nicole Saviano second