

**Kutztown Environmental Advisory Commission
October 3, 2011 Meeting**

Present:

- Commission Members – Jeri Colicchio, Jeffrey Henninger, Karen Feridun,
- Borough Representatives – Karen Feridun - Borough Planning Commission Liaison,

Absent:

- Kevin Snyder – Borough Council Liaison
- Todd Underwood
- Dave Rustay – Student Liaison

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Jeri Colicchio.

Karen Feridun made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Henninger, to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2011 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Three Kutztown University students observed the meeting as part of a journalism class assignment.

Old Business

Waiting for feedback if anyone is interested in the open EAC positions.

New Business

A. Conflicting Ordinances

An ordinance passed in July which affects electric rates inadvertently impacts owners of alternative energy sources that generate more than half of their own power needs. Several possible resolutions were discussed.

B. Subcommittee Reports

1. KU Environmental Committee – Todd Underwood (chair)

No report

2. Communication, Education, Community Workshops – Karen Feridun (chair)

Karen Feridun stated that the EAC website is finished. Karen also mentioned that she has been asked to develop an environmentally-related television show for the Hometown Utilicom station.

A free community event on food composting and recycling in Berks will be presented by Jane Meeks, Executive Director of the Berks County Solid Waste Authority and hosted

by Kutztown's Environmental Advisory Commission on October 25th at 7 p.m. at a location to be announced.

3. Annual Report – Todd Underwood (chair)

No report

4. Climate Protection Agreement – Jeffrey Henninger (chair)

No report

5. Air and Water Quality – Jeri Colicchio (chair)

No report

7. Recycling Program – Chair vacant

No report

8. Environmental Stewardship Award – (chair and subcommittee members vacant)

The Award nomination process has been advertised, but no responses yet.

9. Sacony Marsh and Trail – Todd Underwood (chair)

No report

10. Pesticides and Herbicides – Jeffrey Henninger (chair)

No report

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Karen Feridun and seconded by Jeri Colicchio. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:50 pm. Next meeting is on September 7, 2011 at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Henninger