



**MT. LEBANON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY BOARD
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
ROOM D, 710 WASHINGTON ROAD, PITTSBURGH, PA 15228**

Meeting recorded? Yes

- **Call Meeting to Order**

Attendees:

Megan Stahl, Chairperson
David Kahler
Tim Reidy
Deb Smit
Mindy Ranney, Commissioner
Bonnie Cross, Staff Liaison
Greg Wharton, Staff Liaison
Julia Descalzi, Junior Board Member
Annamaria Johnson, School Board Liaison

Absent:

Claire Kist
Mike Gullo
Jen Rick
Melinda Berdyck, School Board Liaison

- **Public Comment**

- Shayna Bodi from Lebo Green was introduced to the group.
- Sam Smith submitted comments regarding recycling receptacles in the business districts and recycling education sessions.

- **Approval of August 2023 Minutes** – David Kahler motioned to approve August Minutes, seconded by Deb Smit and all members in attendance voted to approve.

- **Junior Board Member Liaison Report** – Julia Descalzi introduced herself to the group.

- **School Board Liaison Report** – Melinda Berdyck was absent from the meeting. Annamaria Johnson was able to attend and update the group on recycling efforts by the schools and the focus on sidewalk and pedestrian safety of students going back to school.



- **ESB Business**
 - 2023 Work Plan Update
 - Analyze Air Quality – Deb Smit updated the group on the potential for an Air Quality dashboard in coordination with the high school.
 - Plastic Bag Reduction – Megan Stahl recommended to the group that the Municipality commit to a plastic use reduction and to explore incentive options for businesses.
 - Recycling Facility Tour/Recycling and Composting – Jen Rick was absent from the meeting.
 - Education Website Content – Mike Gullo was absent from the meeting but has reported that he is working with students on sustainability newsletters to be published to the community.
 - Stormwater Ordinance Update – David Kahler had nothing to report.
 - Energy Benchmarking – Tim Reidy has no new update but mentioned options for the Municipality to pursue tracking software.
- **Standing Items – Discussion**
 - Climate Action Plan/Community Focus Groups (as input for CAP) – The Comprehensive Plan consultants have received input for the Climate Action Plan and will include it in the recommendations in October.
 - Sustainable PA Certification and Framework – Staff continues to work on the recertification. Energy Benchmarking will tie directly into the next recertification.
 - Comprehensive Plan – The Comprehensive Plan is targeted to be 90% complete and available for comment towards the end of October.
- **Commission Business** – Sidewalk Expansion Policy has been passed by the Commission.
- **New Business** – Board is to provide an update on work plan topics for Board Transition Plan.
- **Adjournment** – Deb Smit motioned to adjourn, seconded by David Kahler and all members present voted to adjourn.