

EASTTOWN TOWNSHIP  
EASTTOWN CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Easttown Township Building, Berwyn, PA

February 13, 2017

**Attendees:** Tom McGurk, Pete Motel, Betsy Fadem, Alessandra Nicolas, Buck Buchanan,

**Absent:** Stacey Ballard, Kevin Melich, Chris Polites, and Dan Fox

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM

Tom McGurk outlined the projects that each ECAC member was currently involved with:

- Taskforce is Mark Heppe and Betsy Fadem
- Quality of Performance of Fire Co is Stacey and Buck
- Strategy for the Supervisors with the Fire co is Tom and Pete.

Discussion Points:

- Betsy Stated that Eamon believes it's remarkable that the Townships of Easttown, Tredyffrin, and Radnor are all coming to the table and getting along.
- We reviewed facts again of what Easttown Township provides to the Fire Co of Paoli and Berwyn.
- We still don't understand our relationship with them as it relates to BLS and ALS. So we need to understand that we are paying for, the level of service we should expect to receiving, etc.
- Betsy put together a great spreadsheet that reviewed 2012 to current year numbers as far as revenue, per capita, and per household. This spreadsheet was very helpful to see that there is no consistency on these numbers to identify a trend.
- What is the Fire Police?
- Are we double counting certain numbers?
- According to National averages: 39% of Townships don't provide BLS or ALS. 46% have BLS and 16% have ALS.
- There are 27,198 fire departments in the country. PA has the most fire departments with 1,796. PA ranks second in volunteers.

Betsy TO DO's:

- Workman's comp – who pay for this and who is it for? What is the 2013 number?
- Hydrant Service – what is this for; water, maintenance, etc.?
- Should the budget be whole numbers?

Township projects for 2017:

- Kevin – PFM Quarterly Review and Savitz Audit.

- Alessandra - Hilltop House Phase 2
- Stacey & Buck – Quality performance of Berwyn Fire Co and related baseline metrics.
- Pete & Tom – Funding model for the Fire Co.

Discussion around the replacement for Gregg Ridge. Ronald Mintz will join our ECAC meeting in March.

We have a new Director of Public Works. His name is Don Curly and he is a resident of Radnor.

Karen will be coming to our April ECAC meeting to report on the Action Plan that she presented in the October ECAC meeting, as well as anything related to the Audit and her findings.

Tom defined the ECAC Project Governance. We are an oversight and clearing point for projects rather than just a working meeting. We are setting up Leaders and Accountability.

Meeting concluded at 8p.

Next ECAC meeting is scheduled for Monday March 13, 2017 at 6:15PM at the Township Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Alessandra Nicolas, Recording Secretary