

RESOLUTION NO. 1469

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA, TO SUPPORT THE VISION OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR A 100% CLEAN RENEWABLE ENERGY FUTURE

WHEREAS, global climate warming is a long term threat to survival on our planet earth; and

WHEREAS, adverse environmental impacts associated with the use of fossil fuels pose immediate, direct and indirect health risks to all residents; especially the children, workers and visitors of the Township; and

WHEREAS, significant long term energy cost savings for residents and local businesses can stimulate new economic activity, and

WHEREAS, environmental, health and economic goals can be reasonably met based upon existing and future national, state and local initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Springfield Township, Montgomery County, PA, will join other leading towns and cities in the national movement to transition to 100% clean and renewable energy, and complete this transition for electricity by 2035 and 100% renewable energy for heat and transportation by 2050; and

In 2019, the Springfield Township Environmental Advisory Commission shall report out to the Board of Commissioners recommended interim milestones and implementation strategies to achieve the renewable energy targets; and

That clean renewable energy shall be defined as carbon-free and pollution-free energy generated sustainably from renewable sources such as wind, solar, small hydro, tidal and geothermal; and

Locally produced and distributed energy is prioritized whenever feasible for the many advantages it provides to the community; and

The Springfield Township Environmental Advisory Commission shall report annually to the Board of Commissioners on the progress of achieving the interim milestones, targets and production of associated work plans.

ADOPTED THIS 9th day of January, 2019.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

BY: _____


Jeffrey T. Harbison, President

ATTEST:


Donald E. Berger, Jr., Secretary