

Lower Makefield Township

Environmental Advisory Council

August 4, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Present: Linda Salvati, Chair; Alan Dresser, Co-Chair; Suzanne Blundi, BOS Liaison; James Bray; Kevin Gallen; Paul Roden

Mr. Dresser called the August 4, 2022 EAC meeting to order at 6pm. The first order of business was review and approval of the June 9 meeting minutes. Mr. Bray moved to approve them, Ms. Salvati seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as written. The July minutes will be reviewed at the next EAC meeting.

Invasive Species Ordinance – Ms. Salvati reported that she had met with Mr. Majewski and they reviewed all of the EAC comments. Mr. Majewski will incorporate those changes into the document and will send the revised ordinance to the EAC for their review.

Fall Planting 2022 –

Kids kingdom – Ms. Salvati asked if everyone had reviewed the Kids Kingdom plan, which will be at a cost of \$4,940 for 24 trees. All were in agreement of the plan. For next steps, Ms. Blundi asked Ms. Salvati to send her a clean, updated email with complete information and she will work on getting it approved.

Patterson Farm/Mirror Lake Road – Ms. Salvati spoke to Mr. Majewski about digging a swale along the Mirror Lake Road. Mr. Majewski did not think this approach was workable.

There was a lengthy discussion about trees along Mirror Lake Road and general agreement that it is a perfect place to plant a row of colorful trees, approx. 40 trees with 25 – 35 ft spacing. Ms. Blundi asked them to think about which trees could generate a very powerful image in the Fall. She asked that the EAC come up with a plan and she will do her best to get it passed.

Land Use –

1566 Subdivision – The preliminary plan was approved at the July 20 BOS meeting. The tree replacement compliance issue will be addressed with the final plan.

Quarry Road and Lindenhurst Road – There's no major environmental issues, and no submitted comments from the EAC.

1101 Big Oak Road – This is a 6.07 acre site which is roughly 65 % woodlands. One existing house on site will be torn down and 6 new houses built. Comments are due August 14.

Recycling –

Fall Recycling Event – The Fall Styrofoam/Cork/Pill Bottle/ Battery Event is scheduled for October 29 between 10am – noon. A flyer will be generated.

Recycling in the Parks – Mr. Bray is aware of parks which have had success with a Carry In/Carry Out program and is gathering information to be presented at the September EAC meeting.

Sustainability Project – Pennsbury School District is planning to form a committee in the Fall to address several environmental issues. They may be asking the EAC to be involved and the EAC feels it would be a perfect partnership, particularly considering that two of the environmental issues – reducing waste and water and energy conservation – have always been of interest to the EAC.

Plastic Bag Reduction – There is no update on this project.

EAC Lecture Series – Mr. Pedowicz’s lecture on Electrical Generation Transmission and Renewables is scheduled for September 22 and 29 (Thursdays) between 1 – 2pm at the Community Center. Ms. Salvati will provide a flyer to advertise the event.

Rain Barrels – There is no update on this project.

Webpage – Mr. Roden will get a newsletter out in the next month to advertise the upcoming lecture, as well as the October 29 recycling event.

Play for All – Mr. Dresser noted that the Township is initially focusing primarily on studies of Macclesfield and Snipes and working with Pennsbury School District on finding additional fields. The EAC is drafting a comment letter on utilization of the Macclesfield and Snipes parks.

Odds and Ends – LMT Community Day is August 27. The EAC will not be participating this year.

Mr. Dresser is drafting a letter to the Supervisors with properties the EAC recommends for open space acquisition.

With no more business to discuss, the EAC meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM. The next meeting of the EAC is to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Dresser, Co-Chairperson