

Lower Makefield Township  
Environmental Advisory Council  
June 14, 2012  
Meeting Minutes

Those Present:

Environmental Advisory Council:

Jim Bray, Chairman  
Alan Dresser, Vice Chairman  
Rick Ewing, Member  
Mark Bortman, Member

Absent:

Sundeen, Member

Paul Roden, Member; Gail Stringer, Member; Joe

**Approval of EAC May Meeting Minutes** – The May 9, 2012 meeting minutes will be sent to the EAC members for review.

**Open Space Update** –

Bright Farms – Mr. Bray reported that there is some controversy around this project, but that the groundbreaking ceremony had been held, and the project is moving forward.

Ragan Property – Mr. Bray and Mr. Dresser discussed this matter with Mr. Fedorchak at their last meeting but have heard nothing new since then. Mr. Dresser said he would follow up with Mr. Fedorchak during his next visit to the Township building.

Bible Fellowship Church – There has been no further communication on this project.

**Recycling Update** – Leck will present their proposal on the October 13, 2012 LMT Electronic Waste Recycling Collection Event to the Board of Supervisors, for their approval, at the June 20 BOS meeting. Mr. Bray will let the Board know that the EAC heartily endorses the project. Mr. Bortman mentioned that he will take responsibility for finding a source for toner cartridges, which were on the flyer's list of prohibited items. The flyer will have to be revised to include toner cartridges as collectible, and arrangements will have to be made with the collection people.

**Proposal from Tom Hough and Associates** – Tom Hough and Associates is proposing that they find additional sources of recyclables in the Township, and receive 25% of the additional grant money that is generated in the first year. Mr. Fedorchak will decide whether to move forward on this proposal.

**Land Reviews** –

Scammel Corners – There is no new information since the EAC made their comments.

Bullard Property – The EAC will examine the plans and decide if they need to comment on the project.

Hoke Property – The EAC has no comment on this project.

**Old Business** – Mr. Ewing reported on the tree replacement project. Mr. Fedorchak had indicated to him that both Bright Farms and Edgewood Village owe the Township trees which could be used to replace the dead trees on the ballfields. Mr. Ewing will let the EAC know if there are 10 or 12 trees that need to be replaced.

**New Business** – Mr. Bortman reported on the meeting of regional EACs which he attended in Doylestown. He noted that 9 Township EACs were represented. There were three topics covered: how EACs can be more effective, hike and bike trails, and faith organizations and the environment.

Mr. Dresser attended a meeting on pervious paving and will provide an overview at the next EAC meeting. In the meantime, he will research the idea of developing legislation regarding pervious paving and look for feedback from others who have used it.

Mr. Bray and Mr. Bortman met to talk about solar for the Township. Mr. Bortman said the EAC needs to look for creative ways to have a third party buy the solar panels and lease them to the Township.

Ms. Bray reported on a recent Cool Cities Buy Local meeting in Mrs. Stringer's absence. Mr. Calabria provided a list of LMT businesses and volunteered to see what information on reducing carbon output is available at the University of Pennsylvania that might help with this project.

With no further business to discuss, the June 14, 2012 meeting of the LMT Environmental Advisory Council was adjourned at 8:20PM. Mr. Bray will be away for the next two months; Mr. Dresser will decide whether there is a need for meetings in July and August.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Bray, Chairman