

Lower Makefield Township  
Environmental Advisory Council  
July 8, 2015  
Meeting Minutes

Present: Alan Dresser, Chairman  
Mark Bortman, Vice Chairman  
Michael Sullivan

**Approval of June 10, 2015 Meeting Minutes** – The June 10, 2015 minutes were approved, as written.

**Welcome New Member Michael Sullivan** - Mr. Sullivan, who was recently appointed to the Environmental Advisory Council, discussed his interests and possible projects with the EAC.

**Meeting with Kevin Kall on Alternatives to Roundup (Glyphosate)** - Eugene Pevzner and Alan Dresser met with Kevin Kall (Director of Public Works) on June 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss alternatives to the Township's use of Roundup. Mr. Kall thought the thermal treatment option was too expensive because of the capital cost of purchasing the new equipment that would be required. He did agree to conducting several test applications of Burnout 2 to see how it works. We will check back with him in a couple months to see how the test is going.

**Updating the EAC Website and New EAC Newsletter** – Because Paul Roden was not in attendance this discussion will be delayed until September.

**Additional Trees for the Township** – Two possible options to plant needed new trees in different areas of the Township were discussed. One is the applying for a PHS TreeVitalize Watersheds Grant and the other is to propose to the BOS locations to plant the 158 replacement trees owed the Township by various developers. Mr. Dresser will ask the BOS if the EAC may develop a plan for planting the 158 replacement trees in the Township. If the BOS are not interested, the PHS TreeVitalize grant will be pursued. The location of these trees will be along one of the waterways on Patterson Farm.

**Drainage Basins** – Mr. Bortman will send out the excel spreadsheet to the EAC listing the naturalized basins in the Township. As traveling around the Township members will note if the Public Works Dept. is maintaining them as naturalized. If not, a meeting will be scheduled with Kevin Kall to discuss the issue. In the fall Mr. Bortman will schedule a tour of the Township basins with Mr. Kall to determine if additional basins can be added to the program.

The sign that will be placed at the Memorial Park basin listing the advantages of naturalized basins was discussed. Other basins will be identified where similar type signs could be placed.

**Land Use Reviews** – No new activity. Mr. Sullivan was brought up to date on the St. Ignatius development and the Community Center.

**Odds and Ends** —It was noted that the Community Center bid documents are on the LMT website. There was discussion of steps that would be taken if the Green Building Ordinance is not honored. It was noted that there is no master plan for how the center would be used.

With no further business to discuss, the July 8, 2015 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council was adjourned at 8:00PM. The next meeting of the EAC will be held at 7PM on September 9, 2015, in the LMT municipal building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Dresser, Chairman