

Lower Makefield Township
Environmental Advisory Council

September 14, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Present: Alan Dresser, Chairman
Paul Roden, Member
Kristin Tyler, LMT Board of Supervisors Liason

Also in attendance were:

Lisa Kamp, LMT Resident
Eileen Killeen (BRRAM)
Richard Deiiello (BRRAM)
Ryan Berry (RBerry@YardleyBoro.com) - Yardley Borough Council member/EAC Chair
Robert Benbenek (RBenny@Earthlink.net) - Yardley Borough EAC
Andrew McAloom (AndrewMcAloom@gmail.com) - Middletown Township EAC
Elaine Hanley (Sunland6@comcast.net) - Morrisville EAC
Cindy La Rue (Clarue@uppermakefield.org) - Upper Makefield Township
Shannon Escalante (Shannonescalante@hotmail.com) - Newtown Township EAC

Mr. Dresser called the September 14, 2016 meeting of the LMT Environmental Advisory Council to order at 7:00PM.

Approval August 10, 2016 EAC Minutes – The August 10, 2016 minutes were approved, as written.

Mercer –Trenton Airport Expansion

Richard Delello and Eileen Killeen, Representatives from BRRAM (Bucks Residents for Responsible Airport Management) made a presentation on the proposed Mercer-Trenton Airport expansion and increase of usage by a new airline in addition to Frontier. They explained the history of their organization and usage of the Trenton –Mercer Airport by the various airlines. Due to the design of the runways and old electronic aides to air navigation, a majority of the flights in and out of the airport come over Lower Makefield Township, which residents have complained about. There is now a proposal to increase the use of the airport and the BRRAM organization is asking for an environmental impact statement (EIS). The BRRAM organization has filed a lawsuit against the FAA whose position is that an EIS on the airport use expansion is unnecessary. The LMT BOS has contributed money to help BRRAM in the lawsuit. BRRAM has a website which is: <http://brram.org> for more detailed information about this issue and may be contacted at brram.org@gmail.com.

Their next meeting will be Monday, October 10, 2016 at 7 pm at Yardley Borough Hall.

E-waste October 8th Recycling Event with E-waste Experts –

The Carl Brown of E-Wastes Experts of Bristol came to the EAC of LM T to discuss the upcoming E Waste Recycling Event. He explained the layout and the number of volunteers needed. He said that he needed 20 able bodied people to lift the TV's and other electronics out of the cars. E-Waste Experts also will be staffing the event. It is important to keep the cars moving and not have the driver get out of the car, just have them pop the trunk and move to the end of the two lines for unloading. Batteries, light bulbs, CFLS, LED bulbs, refrigerators, de-humidifiers, electric range stoves will not be accepted. Cell phones, cd and dvd players and recorders, VCR's, flat screen monitors, PC's, tablets, MAC's, laptops, scanners, printers, answering machines, wireless telephones, fax machines, curling irons, cloths irons, and other small scale electrical and electronic devices found in the home will be accepted for recycling. Large CRT (cathode ray tube) screens including TVs and old computer monitors there will be a charge of \$25.00 for each item.

Notices have gone out to newspapers, bulletin boards, community events, e-mail lists, on tax bills of LMT, websites, community access cable channel and the LMT webpage and other EAC website and Facebook sites, including Lower Makefield is a Great Place to Live.

Boy Scout and Girl Scout Troup's along with the National Honor Society chapters in area high schools will be contacted to ask for volunteers to assist in the unloading and clean up during the E-waste event.

Elcon Hazardous Waste Facility – Nothing has been heard from the PA DEP or ELCON.

Soil incineration expansion application to the PA DEP - An application to increase the volume of contaminated soil at the Bucks company located on the former USX Fairless Hills Plant site has been submitted to the PA DEP.

Open Discussion –

Elm Borer is a future topic to discuss to propose preventive and strategies to deal with this destructive invasive species now present in our area of Bucks County, Philadelphia and Mercer County, NJ.

With no further business to discuss, the September 14, 2016 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council was adjourned at 8:45PM. The next meeting of the EAC will be held on October 11, 2016, at the LMT municipal building, at 7PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Dresser, Chairman