## **Lower Makefield Township**

# **Environmental Advisory Council**

### **Meeting Minutes**

# August 8, 2018

Present: Alan Dresser, Co-Chair; Peter Solor, Co-Chair; Linda Salvati (new member); Lisa Kamp; Barbara Baus

Also in attendance was Lee Pedowicz, LMT resident

Mr. Dresser called the August EAC meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the members welcomed Linda Salvati, a newly appointed member of the EAC. The first order of business was the approval of the July EAC minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously, as amended.

#### **Community Pride Day**

Mr. Solor shared some of the literature which will be available to residents at the EAC table during LMT Community Pride Day. This included information on healthy streams and native plants as well as basin naturalization. Flyers promoting the fall EAC lecture will also be included. One of the informational signs which will be placed at the naturalized basins in the township will also be displayed at the EAC table. EAC members agreed to share the table with the organization Citizens Climate Lobby, which will provide literature and may also have a member of their group at the table to speak with residents. Mr. Dresser will contact Monica Tierney, director of the LMT Parks and Recreation department, to coordinate the providing of recycling containers at Community Pride Day.

### **EAC Lecture Series**

Mr. Pedowicz agreed to draft a flyer for the November 10 energy lecture. The final version of the flyer will then be sent to the organizations on the finalized event publicity list (the list will be sent to members by Mr. Dresser).

# **Summer Newsletter on Recycling**

The topic of the next EAC newsletter will be recycling. Details on the acceptable items for each waste service operating within the township will be included.

### 2018 - 2028 Bucks County Municipal Waste Management Plan

Prior to the EAC meeting, Board of Supervisors member and EAC liaison Mr. Dan Grenier sent information regarding the county waste management plan to the EAC members with a request for review by the EAC. The waste management plan is a mandatory plan in which the expected volume of residential and commercial waste produced in the county is determined and a method for handling the waste is detailed. Mr. Solor noted that the plan had begun to be written before the closure of the landfill in Falls township and that the report does not appear to reflect that closure. At Mr. Dresser's suggestion, Mr. Solor will contact Patty Lynn, the planner and recycling coordinator, to verify this. Mr. Solor also expressed concerns that the document does not contain a plan to reduce waste and increase recycling. Ms. Salvati noted that the chart included in the document shows the closing of all of the

landfills which would be receiving waste from the county before the end of the period covered by the plan. Mr. Solor will provide comments to the LMT Board of Supervisors on the plan on behalf of the EAC.

### **Land Use Reviews**

- Caddis Medical on Dobry Road Mr. Dresser spoke at the July 18 LMT board of supervisors meeting, regarding drainage/stormwater management issues, as the volume increase created by the development will violate the limits set in the township ordinance. The development was approved by the board of supervisors.
- Snipes Athletic Fields A public meeting will be held in September.
- Erin dev. Dobry Road, Dunkin Donuts pre. plan, Dogwood Drive final plan No activity to report.

### **2017 Year End Review**

The 2017 year end review has been completed and will be posted on the LMT website.

# **Prioritization of Projects**

Mr. Solor will meet with EAC member Mrs. Soumya Dharmavaram and Board of Supervisors liaison Mr. Dan Grenier to create the projects list and to prioritize that list.

#### Elcon

On July 26, DEP Determined that the Elcon Recycling Services Hazardous Waste Permit Application was administratively complete, this begins a 10-Month Technical Review period. Mr. Dresser confirmed that Elcon's air permit application has not yet been submitted to PADEP, but that the EAC will review it and provide recommendations to the Board of Supervisors once it is made available.

#### **Basin Naturalization Program**

Mr. Solor will contact Mr. Grenier to set up another meeting to maintain momentum on the basin naturalization program.

# **Open Discussion**

Mr. Solor requested that members begin to consider which potential projects the EAC budget can be utilized for, with the naturalization of one of the currently non-naturalized basins in the township being given as an example. The suggestions will be the basis for future project funding discussions.

With no further business to discuss, the August 8, 2018 meeting of the LMT Environmental Advisory Council was adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next EAC meeting will be held on September 12, 2018 at 7 pm, in the LMT Municipal Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Dresser, Co-chairman