

Lower Makefield Township
Environmental Advisory Council

October 12, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Present: Alan Dresser, Chairman

Jim Bray

Paul Rodin

Peter Solor

Also in attendance was Lisa Kamp

The October 12, 2016 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council was called to order at 7:00pm.

Approval of September 14, 2016 Minutes - The September 14 minutes were approved as amended.

E-Waste October 8th Recycling Event Recap - The event was very successful with an estimated 954 cars in attendance. There was discussion of holding another event next year. Mr. Rodin and Mr. Solor, who worked at this year's event, will document their thoughts on changes that should be made to any future events. Mr. Dresser reported that LMT will hold a Styrofoam event in January 2017.

Open Space Activity

Bucks County Bond Money – There is \$269,750 remaining from the County bond money, and it must be spent before the end of the year. Mr. Dresser and Mr. Bray met in executive session with the Board of Supervisors to review the properties the EAC recommends for purchase with the remaining bond money. The EAC will follow up and send a weekly progress report to the Township.

The Guzikowski Farm – Mr. Dresser reported that the BOS is taking out a \$15M bond, of which \$5M will go for open space. The EAC has made a list of recommended properties and the Guzikowski farm is at the top of the list. The BOS has expressed strong interest in acquiring this property as part of the open space program.

Discussion is underway on two additional properties, but since this is proprietary information, it will not be included in the minutes.

Patterson Farm Easement - It was noted that the County of Bucks will place the easement on Patterson Farm.

Clean Earth Soil Treatment Facility Expansion in Morrisville - Mr. Dresser reported that he attended a meeting between POA and the Clean Earth people. The meeting was to discuss the facility's planned expansion which would add 20 trucks a day to the current 100. After discussion, it was decided that Mr. Dresser will contact the Supervisors to see if they want to weigh in on the additional truck traffic.

Land Use Reviews

Community Center LEED Silver – Mr. Solor reported that the Community Center specifications do include LEED but that there is no way to confirm that the work is done in accordance with LEED specs without receipts. Mr. Dresser will contact Mr. Fedorchak for information and to inform him that Mr. Solor is qualified as a LEED Commissioning Agent.

Capstone - It was reported that their new plan is to put retail on the property.

Dilorenzo's - Work on the Edgewood Village pizza restaurant will be starting soon.

Cutting of Naturalized Drainage Basins – Mr. Dresser has no new information since he has not yet been able to get in touch with Ralph Carp, LMT'S Facilities Director.

Josh Fox's Global Warming Movie – Mr. Roden would like to show the movie as part of the EAC lecture series, in the LMT municipal building. It was agreed that January 14 would be a good date; Mr. Roden will contact the Township to make sure the room is available.

Odds and Ends – Because the Phase 3 Long Term Tree Planting Plan has not been received, there could be no discussion. The EAC will review the plan as soon as it is received.

Doug Tallamy will be lecturing on native plants in Doylestown on October 27.

Mr. Dresser reported that there is around \$3,000 left in the EAC budget. It was agreed that some of the money should be used for additional recycling bins on Township properties.

It was reported that there are grants available from the Pennsylvania DCNR Recreation and Conservation Grant Program.

With no further business to discuss, the October 12, 2016 meeting of the LMT EAC was adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next meeting of the EAC will be held on November 9, 2016, at 7:00pm, in the LMT municipal building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Dresser, Chairman