

Lower Makefield Township
Environmental Advisory Council

December 14, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Present: Alan Dresser, Chairman
Mark Bortman, Vice Chair
Jim Bray
Paul Roden

Also in attendance were Lisa Kamp and Rupal Patel.

The December 14, 2016 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council was called to order at 7:00pm.

Approval of November 9, 2016 EAC Minutes - The November minutes were approved unanimously.

Styrofoam Collection Event/Josh Fox's Global Warming Movie, "How to Let Go of the World and Love All the Things Climate Can't Change" – The Styrofoam Collection event will be held on January 14, 2017 at the LMT municipal building from 10 am- Noon. The Styrofoam will be taken to RayBob in Bristol, where it will be recycled and made into packaging material. There was discussion of how the event will be publicized. It was suggested that the newsletter article should ask that people save their holiday styrofoam packaging for the event and the flyer will be revised to include that.

The climate change movie will be held in the LMT municipal building at the same time the Styrofoam event is being held outside. Ms. Patel volunteered to help at the events. Some girl scouts might also help out at the Styrofoam event.

E-Waste October 8th Recycling Event Recap - The October 8th event was reported to be very successful, with an estimated 962 cars dropping e-waste off for collection. Mr, Bortman reported that E-Waste Experts are interested in working with the EAC on another collection event. They will have cost and date information in the Spring. April 29 is a date being considered by the EAC for the event.

Open Space Activity – Mr. Dresser reported that at the last BOS meeting, the Supervisors voted unanimously to purchase an easement on the Guzikowski property. In addition, the Supervisors voted to use the remaining County money to buy the 9 ½ acre Hildebrand property.

Mr. Dresser compiled comments on the Moon Nurseries conservation easement and will forward to EAC members.

Land Use Reviews – Mr. Solor is still waiting to get a response to his questions regarding the Community Center LEEDS Silver equivalent. Mr. Dresser expects to get that response on December 21st.

Mr. Dresser presented the proposed plan for the Snipes Tract athletic fields. Discussion ensued. Ms. Patel will forward her comments to Mr. Dresser, after which he will forward the combined comments to the Township.

Mr. Dresser presented a sketch plan of the Marrazzo Townhouse Development proposed to be built on the site of the Marrazzo Nursery. He feels a lot of variances might be required. He will follow up on this project.

Recycling Update – Mrs. Bray provided an update on a conversation she had with people at the LMT Shop Rite grocery store. After the holidays she and Ms. Kamp will talk to them about partnering on a project to reduce the use of plastic bags in grocery stores. In the meantime, the EAC will look for a way to highlight all environmentally friendly steps LMT's three grocery stores have taken.

Tree Replacement Ordinance: Boucher & James Nov. 16th Memo – There was discussion of a memo provided by Boucher and James to the Planning Commission. Following the review of the memo, the Planning Commission suggested that the Tree Replacement Ordinance be left as is.

Cutting of Naturalized Drainage Basins/Meeting with Public Works – There is a meeting scheduled on this project Jan 17th.

Odds and Ends – There are currently two EAC member openings. Ms. Patel and Ms. Kamp will both be applying to fill those vacancies.

With no further business to discuss, the December 14, 2016 meeting of the EAC was adjourned at 8:50PM. The next meeting of the EAC will be held on January 11, 2017, at 7PM, in the LMT Municipal building.

Respectfully Submitted

Alan Dresser, Chairman