

## ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Minutes Meeting  
April 12, 2017 19:00

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 19:00 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

**Members present:** Mike Callahan, Sid Hostetter, Soon Slayman, Rugh Henderson, Megan Detter, John Van Zant, Eva Stahley, Kristin Hovorka and Jane Popko

**Public Comment:** None

### Approval of Minutes:

**3/8/2017** - Motion to accept by Rugh, 2nd by Sid, motion carried

### Correspondence:

**Board of Supervisors:** MS4 (Megan comment) – What can the EAC do to assist SLT in development of MS4 without duplication of efforts? (EAC should define scope of advisement to provide supervisors)

**Municipal Authority Minutes:** None

**Planning Committee Minutes:** None

### Committee Reports:

#### **Natural Areas Committee:** (Soon Slayman)

- Confirmed township mowing schedule of wildflowers meadows as March 15 – April 15 to include Lawn Park, Campbelltown Community Park, Carriage Park, and Kreider Glen (Stone Knoll) meadow at Barnwell Rd. access (general letter to be sent to Stone Knoll residents defining meadow area)
- suggested adding mulch around 12 trees in Lawn Park
- Colebrook Rain Garden looks disappointing – Soon speak to Jenna about cleaning and maintaining
- Soon and Rugh have identified private natural areas maintained by property owners
- Soon, Sid and Rugh will coordinate with Jenna and Scott about entire natural area program and the specific four natural areas to be maintained by township – Sid made motion to accept; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Soon; motion carried

#### **Water Quality Committee:** (John Van Zant)

- Tri-County Conewago Creek Association— will be doing a tree planting at Aberdeen Mills (Elizabethtown) on 4/15 0900-1200 (see website for additional information)
- Tri-County Conewago Creek Association - Earth Day Family Event on 4/15 1200 – 1600
- There is still a drought watch in Lebanon County
- Drinking Water Week – May 7 – 13 (see American Water website)

**Agricultural Committee:** None

#### **Landscaping Committee:** (Eva Stahley)

- Completion of upkeep around current SLT Building
- Returned stored materials to EAC due to resignation from council

**Pipeline Monitoring Committee:** None

### Old Business:

a. MS4 Public Presentation -

Mike to present a 10-15-minute information talk at the next Supervisor Meeting – May 9, 2017 1900. This is a public outreach/education requirement for the current MS4 cycle.

b. Review of the EAC natural area inventory

i. Status update

- Sid, Soon and Rugh will continue additional plotting to be available for public
  - Mike will assist with GIS transfer: to schedule with Natural area committee (mid to late May)
- c. Township management of Natural Areas
- i. Review mowing schedule and management (all existing natural areas) – refer to Natural Area committee report
- d. South Londonderry Township Community Garden
- i. Status update
    - Verbal interest to be followed by preliminary outline with plot layout and development specific details
    - Megan continuing to research and will provide outline at next meeting
    - Cliff suggested meeting with Jenna and Scott to update on proposed area
    - Sid, Megan, Mike, and Jane will walk through area adjacent to west sewage treatment plant and get soil sample
- e. Educational Workshops
- i. Decide on workshop(s) for 2017 to connect with MS4 requirements
    - Green waste composting
    - Master Gardener prepared presentations
    - Lebanon County Conservation District programs – Rain barrel program for 2018 (previously done in Derry Twsp. with the Dauphin County Conservation District)
    - Tri-County watershed – programs for children about the environment
    - EPA website articles – suggest to Jenna for next newsletter
  - ii. Solicit volunteers to plan workshop(s) – to be done

**New Business:**

- a. Eva Resignation
  - Mike thanked Eva for time and effort for maintaining SLT Building landscaping for 6 years; displays for events such as National Night Out
  - Rugh added recognition from township
  - Jane to notify Jenna of need to announce vacancy and need to get an application from the township
- b. Roundabout planting – Jane
  - Asked about feasibility of placing plantings in traffic circle at intersection of Forge Rd and Northside Dr. (alternative would be small boulders/stones)
  - Forge Rd. is a state road – Jane to request Jenna to contact PennDot (MS4 requirements)
  - Northside Dr. is a township road

**Good and Welfare:** Penn State at the Hershey Medical Center is sponsoring a tree planting along the Swatara on 4/21 1000 – 1400 (Earth Day event); Health Effects of Fracking at HMC 4/26 1230 – 1630; Manada Conservancy Presentation on “The Living Landscape” 4/27 1800-2200

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn at 2010 by Mike; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rugh; motion carried

**Respectfully submitted,**  
**Jane T. Popko**

**Next EAC Meeting:** May 10, 2017 at 19:00