

EAC Meeting Summary: Tuesday, July 23, 2019

Present:

EAC Members: Michelle Garg, Karen Guerrero, Mary Ellen Heisey, Steve Kunz, Jonathan Meyers, and Mike Roscoe.

Board of Supervisors (BOS): Susan Guerette, Martha Majewski and Jim Morrison

Township Manger: E.J. Mentry

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm. Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

- **EAC Meeting Summary Approval**

- The meeting summary of the June 2019 meeting was read and approved.

- **Announcements**

- Ms. Heisey announced:
 - Pamela Brown, director of conservation at French and Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust, presentation was cancelled.
 - The next quarterly newsletter due date is August 2nd.
 - Ms. Guerrero and Ms. Hawley will create articles for the newsletter.

- **Public Attendance**

- None.

- **Presentations**

- None.

- **EAC 2019**

- EAC voted unanimously to retain Harmonie Hawley as the alternate EAC member. (Post meeting note: Ms. Hawley has resigned from the EAC per the request of her new employer.)
- Ms. Heisey & Mr. Cram reviewed the draft results of the Pickering Preserve Walk-thru with David Steckel on Monday 22Jul2019.
- Tree Ordinance Update
 - Mr. Mentry discussed the BOS request to create a Township Tree Protection Ordinance. The draft was taken from East Pikeland's ordinance. It is under review by Planning Commission and Ann Hutchinson from Natural Lands. The EAC discussed their thoughts of the ordinance, how will it be enforced, how will the residents be informed, how did East Pikeland roll it out, when will it be rolled out. BOS requested EAC provide written comments ASAP.
- Budget 2020- Team reviewed last two years spending and voted to request \$9,000.
 - Legal consult: \$1,000
 - Projects: \$3,500
 - Workshop/conferences: \$2,000
 - Butterfly/rain gardens: \$2,500

- **Reports/Updates on Ongoing Business**

- **Bird Town**
 - No updates.
- **Clean-ups**
 - Litter fines- Mr. Mentry mentioned the ordinance will be discussed at the BOS monthly workshop on Thursday to review EAC recommendations.

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- **Energy Planning**
 - Montgomery County 100% Clean Energy Code
 - Mr. Meyers attended the Montgomery County 100% Clean Energy Kickoff on 29Jun2019. He announced that Charlestown passed on 01Jul2019 and East Pikeland passed on 02Jul2019 their clean energy resolutions.
 - Round-up Use
 - Mr. Meyers requested the BOS to stop or reduce the overall use of Round-Up in the township for residents' health and safety and for liability reasons. "Weeds Incorporated" is the licensed contractor for the township. Mr. Mentry will review when and where the last time Weeds Inc was used in the township for the next EAC meeting.
 - National Solar Tour
 - Mr. Meyers discussed the opportunity for the township/EAC to act as the sponsor of the tour. He will provide the EAC with more details to review for a vote at the next EAC meeting.
- **Land Use Ordinances Subcommittee**
 - Mr. Mentry announced that the approval of the updated ordinance will be voted at the August BOS meeting.
- **Name Unnamed Streams Project**
 - Mr. Kunz announced that BGN approved the request of Jug Hollow Run name at the quarterly meeting on 11Jul2019. Final 3 stream name proposals are still pending.
- **Pickering Preserve**
 - Proposed Boardwalk- Mr. Cram announced that boardwalk location needs to be reconsidered due to the increase in wetland area. Therefore, this project is on hold. He proposed not mowing one of the paths in the wetlands and amplify the primary walkway entrance to prevent residents getting stuck in the path with the wetlands.
 - Land maintenance schedule sub-team members will include Mr. Cram, Ms. Heisey and Mr. Meyers.
- **Spotted Lantern Fly**
 - No updates.
- **Storm Water Management**
 - No updates.
- **Treasurer's report**
 - No updates.
- **Valley Park**
 - Mr. Mentry announced the construction is on track to complete by end of year.
- **Developments**
 - **Eagles Pointe at Sedgley Farms (Reeves property)**
 - Mr. Kunz announced that the BOS voted unanimously to deny the proposed plan.
 - **Proposed WaWa**
 - No updates.
- **New / Other Business**
 - Next EAC meeting Aug 27th