

EAC Meeting Summary: Tuesday, January 28, 2020

Present:

EAC Members: Earl Cram, Michelle Garg, Karen Guerrero, Mary Ellen Heisey, Tom Heisey, Steve Kunz, & Jonathan Meyers.

Board of Supervisors (BOS): Martha Majewski and Susan Guerette.

Public: Norm Vutz

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

• **EAC Meeting Summary Approval**

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

• **EAC Organization Confirmation**

- Member renewals: Mr. Kunz, Mr. Roscoe, and Ms. Guerreros's terms were renewed by the BOS.
- BOS approved the 2020 EAC positions: Ms. Heisey, Chair; Mr. Kunz, vice-Chair, Ms. Garg, Secretary; Mr. Heisey, Treasurer.

• **Announcements**

- Ms. Heisey announced:
 - Bowman's Hill – Land Ethics Seminar – Mar 12th from 8-4. She mentioned that there is discounted early bird pricing.
 - New Website up and running. EAC Minutes will be posted.
 - Township Quarterly Meeting Dates: March 12th, May 14th, Sep 10th.
 - Founders day is Nov 7th.
 - Ms. Heisey applied for PA Master Naturalist: class every Wednesday night from March 25th to June 10th.

• **Presentations**

- None.

• **EAC 2020**

- Burning yard waste
 - Ms. Guerette recommended that the EAC review other township ordinances and suggest some updates to ours.
- Litter fines/police
 - No updates.
- Round-up
 - No updates.
- Schuylkill River Pollution
 - Ms. Guerrero mentioned she saw some pollution in the River, but it was in Spring City.
- Development of Nolen Property on Pawlings Road
 - EAC discussed the removal of many trees due to ground breaking of the development plan. The Township manger confirmed via email that the site is following the approved plan.
- Winter Road de-icing
 - Mr. Kunz requested to know if our township uses brine on roads for dust or ice control, and if so, its source (fracking waste is being used elsewhere)
- Plastics Survey
 - Mr. Meyers discussed the possibility of completion of the Penn Environment plastics survey by township residents.

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- **Reports/Updates on Ongoing Business**

- **Bird Town**

- Ms. Heisey discussed our rain and butterfly garden experiences with Lower Merion Township since they are now working on an urban pollinator garden.

- **Clean-ups**

- Mr. Cram would like to complete the spring clean-up in the Pickering Preserve. We will need permission from the YMCA. Date is TBD.
- Ms. Heisey announced the Medal of Honor Grove clean-up on April 25th.

- **Energy Planning**

- Chester County
 - Mr. Meyers announced that the committee will create common templates so the plans can be easily implemented across the county.
- Phoenixville Regional Area Sub-Committee.
 - Mr. Meyers will attend the West Chester meeting Jan 29th.

- **Name Unnamed Streams Project**

- Mr. Kunz received approval of the last three stream names from the BGN in December 2019. The EAC next steps are to present this information to the residents.

- **Pickering Preserve**

- Land maintenance schedule sub-team:
 - Meadow Mow Plan
 - Mr. Cram stated the mowing was recently complete. He will confirm if the plan was followed at our next meeting.

- **Spotted Lantern Fly**

- Mr. Kunz forwarded an article regarding the PA economic hardship due to the spotted lanternfly for EAC review.

- **Storm Water Management**

- Ms. Majewski mentioned that the township submitted pollution reduction plan for Valley Creek (exceptional value watershed) to DEP. However, the DEP revised their objective so the plan may never be implemented since the DEP changed the MS4 objectives.

- **Trash Collection**

- No updates.

- **Tree Ordinance**

- Mr. Kunz attended the last board workshop meeting. He is waiting for the draft ordinance mark up from Ms. Guerette.

- **Treasurer's report**

- No updates.

- **Valley Park**

- No updates.

- **Developments**

- **Eagles Pointe at Sedgley Farms (Reeves property)**

- No updates.

- **Proposed WaWa**

- No updates.

- **New / Other Business**

- Next EAC meeting February 25th, 2020.