

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Notes
February 11, 2014

In Attendance: Ray Hendrick, Chairman; Don Richardson, Vice Chairman; Sean Sablosky, Ken Snyder, Board of Supervisors Liaison; Rick Colello, Board of Supervisors Member, Stephanie Mason, Township Manager, Ashley Thompson, Special Projects Coordinator.

Minutes

Approval from November 12, 2013 on motion of Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mr. Hendrick motion carried. Mr. Richardson abstained due to his absence at the meeting.

Approval from January 14, 2014 motion of Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mr. Richardson and the motion was carried.

360 Old Dublin Pike

Mr. Hendrick shared with the committee that the builder approved the recommendation to have two bat houses built to PA Game Commission specs in the wetlands.

Plans for Wilma Kummer

Ms. Mason explained the proposed plans to the EAC committee and confirmed that there would be no tree removal. Mr. Hendrick had no objection to this plan.

Plans for Penn Color, Inc.

Ms. Mason explained the lot line change for Penn Color, Inc. and the planned riparian buffer planting that had been proposed.

On motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Sablosky the committee unanimously approved both plans for Penn Color Inc. and Wilma Kummer.

Birdtown Demonstration Garden

Mr. Hendrick gave the committee an update that the Native Plant Demo Garden Phase 1 date had been decided on as March 22, 2014. Mr. Hendrick explained that himself, Ms. Mitchell, Sandra Zadell, Assistant Township Manager, and Ashley Thompson, Special Projects Coordinator meet with Mr. John, Director of Operations to go over plans for the project and Mr. John had no Township concerns. Mr. Hendrick did ask if the Township could provide one wheelbarrow that could be used during the event. Ms. Mason would check with Mr. John. Mr. Hendrick explained that there are volunteers from various Environmental groups willing to cooperate.

Ashley Thompson, Special Projects Coordinator shared that she will add information onto Township website with a "Plant Call List" for donation from various gardeners and groups in the township.

Magnet/Decal Fundraiser

Mr. Sablosky shared that the magnet/decal should be a standard size as previous seen in other designs and possible tweaked each year with the date. Mr. Hendrick proposed asking Kaitlyn Finley, Park & Recreation Program Coordinator to help design the logo. Ms. Mason said that she would speak to Ms. Finley regarding this project.

Riparian Buffers

Ashley Thompson spoke on behalf of Sandra Zadell that there are 861 properties to send the letters and phapletts too. Ms. Thompson will separate the mailing into phase and bring Phase 1 list with her to the next meeting scheduled for March.

Rain Garden

Mr. Hendrick explained that they are hoping to complete the Rain Garden at Central Park during the same time as the Native Plant Demo Garden. Mr. Hendrick is hoping for the same volunteers from the Native Plant Demonstration Garden to help with the rain garden.

Correspondence

Environment Advisory Council Network 2014 Conference- Ashley Thompson explained the EAC received information regarding this years Environment Advisory Council Network Conference. Ashley shared with the committee the dates and fees for this conference. Mr. Hendrick will not be able to attend due to conflict with other commitments. No members requested to go as of this meeting.

Other Business:

Winter Solstice

Winter Solstice was tabled.

Summer Newsletter– Ashley Thompson shared that the article deadline for the newsletter will be April 10, 2014. Ken Snyder spoke about the concerns he has for our local residents and their recycling practices. It was decided that Mr. Sablosky would create an article and focus on the best recycling practices, explaining in detail what haulers take, etc. Mr. Sabolsky agreed and will put together an article.

Ash Borer

Mr. Hendrick explained the details of the Ash Borer insect and will be putting together a packet of materials regarding this matter as if affects the environment.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:09PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Thompson, Special Projects Coordinator