

## Doylestown EAC Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2020

### In Attendance:

J. Baldassarre  
M. Brooks  
H. Shiver  
A. Susten (Special Projects)  
D. Wood (Supervisor)  
A. Woodbury (Vice Chair)  
Curt Sawyer (guest)  
S. Mason (Manager)

Meeting Minutes from May need corrections and will be recirculated for review.

The budget was reviewed. There has been very little spending due to Covid pandemic. The \$1500 matching grant from Bucks Beautiful is still available if trees can be planted this year.

EAC Vacancy: There are 2 interested candidates. The Board of Supervisors is expected to make a decision soon.

Bucks County has moved to 'yellow' phase of restrictions. The EAC may resume work days in the park, using precautions and social distancing. No sharing of tools.

Virtual Invasive: In the absence of Invasive Plant Workshops, J. Baldassarre proposes a monthly 'Invasive Plant of the Month' to be posted on the EAC website as an educational aid. H. Shiver will consider this with J. Mitchell and A. Susten.

The township has established a new 'no-mow' area in Central Park.

### Subcommittees:

Ready for 100. There was no meeting in June. The regional Ready for 100 is rolling out a template Energy Transition Plan, which J. Baldassarre will review. In addition, the EAC should consider next steps for Doylestown TWP, looking for 'quick wins' that may be implemented during the current pandemic. These 'quick wins' could also be a model for next steps for other communities. The subcommittee will propose potential actions.

BCAS is partnering with PA Audubon in a continuing effort to promote Birdtown. There is on-going work stemming from the Meadow Management Workshop held earlier this year. A fall Birdtown Summit at BCAS is being planned.

M. Brooks has priced out a memorial tree for Don Richardson. He suggests a 3-3.5inch caliber Yellowwood with a cost of \$265. The location will be considered during the next Native Plant Garden workday (scheduled for June 27). The tree should be planted in September. If a bench is purchased it should go through the Township to ensure consistency.

Additional Native Plant brochures have been ordered, but the proofs have not been good and a new printer is being considered. Newtown TWP has requested 5 copies of the brochure and the EAC voted to supply those, and the electronic file if desired.

The information display case for the Environmental Education Center has arrived and will be installed this week. Rick Schea will make a mock-up sign for the Edgar Putnam Environmental Education Center that will need approval and installation at a later date.

The single use plastic survey was discussed. The total number of responses was modest but an overwhelming majority favored action on single use plastic. D. Wood confirms that the State moratorium on local action has been renewed, so the TWP is not free to act. The EAC agrees to put this issue on hold for the time being.

The EAC wishes to consider having the annual EAC Summit in October (October 7), by Zoom. A series of short presentations was suggested. EAC members are asked to suggest topics.

The group Dare 2B Tick Aware is offering to do another presentation. The EAC is asked to review the Youtube video which was offered.

The next EAC meeting is scheduled for July 14, 2020 at 7pm.