

Doylestown Township EAC Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2020

J. Baldassarre
T. Casas
J. Mitchell (Chair)
Matt Oriente (guest)
Kara Raymond (guest)
C. Sawyer
Mel Scott (guest)
H. Shiver
A. Susten (Special Projects)
D. Wood (Supervisor)
A. Woodbury

Meeting minutes from September approved

Budget reviewed. Almost the entire budget remains unspent. A. Woodbury proposes to purchase new EAC shirts and suggests Lands End.

A. Susten will be leaving the EAC for a new position in Plumstead Township and we wish her well.

- A. Susten will email the PDFs of the Native Plant Brochure to J. Mitchell and the EAC logo for shirts to J. Baldassarre.
- A. Susten will send an EAC name tag and EAC Handbook to C. Sawyer

EAC Summit held on October 6 by Zoom. Approximately 22 participants and well received. EAC reports were especially interesting. We recommend that in future, we ask each EAC to prepare a few slides to facilitate the discussion. In follow up, J. Mitchell to coordinate with the Solebury EAC for a possible Deer Summit.

Ready for 100 meeting for October was cancelled for the EAC Summit. C. Sawyer has offered to review the electricity bills from the TWP. This will be a time-consuming activity. D. Wood will arrange access to the records.

Invasive Plant of the month will be Burning Bush. EAC also recommends that these are posted in the display case at the outdoor education center. J. Mitchell will ask Chris Mason if the EAC can have a key to change the displays. We should also post Invasive Plant of the month and other EAC events with the Central Bucks Gardeners Facebook page. H. Shiver is a member of that group and will post these.

A. Woodbury is working with T. Casas, A. Susten and J. Mitchell on 2 new tree signs. A. Susten will get a price for a sign base from Fossil. The EAC voted to authorize the expenditure for the bases. The EAC will also investigate if there are protective covers to keep the signs clean.

H. Shiver arrange a pop-up garden display and plant sale near Kids Castle during one of the garden work days, with support from Gino's Nursery. The event was well received. The EAC will consider if this should be an annual event, and this should be on the EAC agenda for next March. However, the event not be should be scheduled on a work day due to the noise from equipment.

The Native Plant Demonstration Garden won PHS Garden of Distinction for 2020. There were 13 volunteers at the September workday.

Invasive plant workshop will be held on October 24 from 9 to 11. J. Mitchell will lead the event and T. Casas will assist. This is the same time as the Birdtown Summit, which will be held by Zoom from 10-12.

Mini-forests on township property were discussed. The open space map is not very useful, and some onsite visits may be needed. The township staff may be able to suggest some parcels to consider. H. Shiver will lead this investigation with assistance from Kara Raymond.

The memorial tree for Don Richardson will be planted on Friday October 16, with support from the township staff and Schumacher and Associates.

The next EAC meeting will be held on November 10 at 7pm.