Doylestown Township Environmental Advisory Council Meeting Minutes August 13, 2024

- Welcome
- Public Comment
- Approval of Meeting Minutes June 2024
- Budget Review

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- EAC vacancy
 - No one has interviewed yet
 - Andrea will circulate on Facebook
 - The team suggested an arborist would be valuable
- New Business
 - O Roadside litter removal/adopt a street?
 - Adopt the Road Program
 - Existed in the TWP for over 10 years
 - Process is posted on TWP website with mandatory videos for training
 - Andrea will advertise the program in e-news
 - Pick Up PA Keep Pennsylvania Chad to share the link to the website and come back to the September meeting with more information
- Ongoing Activities and Updates
 - O Single Use Plastic bag ban
 - Next steps November 17 Program Start Date
 - Heidi gave the supervisors a thank you and a cloth bag
 - Hand out remaining cloth bags at the Summer Concert (Wednesday September 22)
 - Native Plant Garden report
 - 7 volunteers for the July garden tending
 - mulching and trimming
 - o Ready for 100 update
 - Building audit
 - Wilson Engineering Shared Energy Manager -
 - Assessed the TWP building and determined it uses 86% of the energy of similar sized buildings
 - The cooling system relies on natural gas to heat the cooled air to bring it up to the desired temperature
 - o 50% of the energy cost is natural gas
 - Very common practice but is outdated and not efficient
 - Wilson Engineering is now assessing the new TWP building
 - TWP solar array
 - Wilson is also assessing this for Turk Rd next to the dog park

- EVs for the TWP
- Have the first working draft of the
- o Bird Town update
 - YMCA Girl Scout Project
 - 8' x 24' next to the parking lot
 - Faces due west full sun
 - Install October
 - Would like to use the Penn Community \$500 donation
 - Girl Scouts and the YMCA will provide funding for the project
 - Working with Student (Anthony) at DelVal on bird strike/collisions
 - Assessed one building on campus recommended adding dots with 2" spacing - quote is appx \$15,000
 - Fall Bird Walks
 - Watershed Workday
 - Met with Chris Mason and walked the Ash Way location
- Heritage Tree Program report
 - A few trees were misidentified
 - Marcello working to update the certificates to reflect the correct trees
 - Jm will look for an arborist to advise
- o Garden Guidance outreach
 - 2 Properties evaluated
- Watershed Friendly properties
 - Ash Way update -
 - Work Day September 14, 1-4 PM
 - New Sheridan Rd plan
 - Suggestion doing larger trees in the back of the property and smaller more floriferous trees in the front
 - Suggested adding signage
 - Need to clarify who will
 - October 19 or November 9 for planting
 - Jim will follow-up with Chris
- Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 7:00PM

Attendance:

- _X_James Baldassarre, Chair _X_Marcello Mangano ____vacant
- _X_Heidi Shiver, Vice-Chair _X_Erich Neal _X_Board Liaison- Judy Dixon
- _X_Chad Clem, Secretary _X_Curtis Sawyer _X_Staff Liaison- Andrea Mergner

Guest: Kara Raymond

8. Adjournment

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