Doylestown Township Environmental Advisory Council (EAC)

November 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Present: Heidi Shiver, Michele Engelbert, Gianina Nixon, Erich Neal, Curt Sawyer, Judy Dixon (Board Liason), Andrea Mergner (Staff Liason)

Public: Erik Sildorff

- Motion to amend the agenda to add the following:
 - Marty Brooks tree planting
 - EAC gathering

Motion approved.

- Public comments: none
- Motion made to approve the minutes of the meeting of 10/14/25; motion approved.
- Spending against the budget was reviewed. \$3,482.70 remaining.
- Old Business
 - Purchase of seed packets for table events
 - Following discussion, a motion was made to purchase 500 packets for \$225; motion was approved.
 - Purchase of cloth bags as potential giveaways discussed pricing and types of bags. Item tabled.
 - o Bucks Beautiful grant received; project completed.
 - Marty Brooks tree planting
 - Karen Ogden will take the lead on this
 - \$750 collected so far
 - Spring 2026 event
- New Business
 - Pesticides
 - Brochure exists
 - Consideration of education programs for Township staff
 - Constraints on Township maintenance of park property from Athletic

 Associations
 - EAC should do some research and find examples from other municipalities
 - Gianina will work with Judy to advance this
 - Santa event 12/13/25 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
 - Curt, Erich, Michelle and Gianina will participate

- Curt will get materials; Marcello to supply pinecones
- o Deer presentation to the Board
 - Plan on Spring 2026
- EAC gathering Malvern
 - WeConservePA event November 15, 2025
 - Michelle tentatively interested
 - Motion to spend up to \$400 for tickets; motion approved
- Environmental Education Center Central Park
 - Plan events for next year
- Ongoing Business
 - Native Plant Demonstration Garden
 - Final event for 2025 on November 15 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
 - Floating garden updates
 - Portion of the flotation ring on one submerged
 - Some materials lost
 - May need to be beefed up in the Spring
 - Lighting subcommittee update in process of developing presentation
 - Climate Action no update
 - Heritage Tree no action
 - o Bird Town PA
 - Planning predator guard crafting event
 - Hold at the Recreation Center
 - Make 15 guards for Township use
 - Make 15 for sale
 - Will coordinate with Parks and Recreation
 - January or February event
 - Possible Bluebird presentation
 - Expert speaker
 - April (?)
 - Bird Town Summit November 13, 2025
 - Native plan consulting
 - Another resident sign up
 - o "Roots So Deep" documentary screening and discussion Bowman's Hill 1/21/26
 - Need shirts and badges for the new members of the EAC
 - Penn State Master Watershed Stewards have an article on Doylestown Township

Meeting adjourned 8:25 p.m.