



Environmental Advisory Council

Meeting Agenda

October 14, 2021

Call to Order (Time: 6:00 PM)

Minutes (approval) – September 9, 2021

Visitors:

Treasurer's Report

- ⌘ EAC Budget 2021 (September 30, 2021)
 - EAC Budget – \$9504.21
 - Open Space Account Balance – \$1,596,996.38

Old Business

- ⌘ Planning Commission Reviews
- ⌘ Open Space
 - Property Signage – Need to install on Shaffer
 - Website – Mapping for public use sites
 - Need map of the Township showing all park locations
 - Develop Properties for Public Use – Need to develop plans
 - Mineo Parcel – Need trail to access Bushkill Creek for fishing
 - Bickert Parcel (along Township Trail) – Proposed single track walking trail with linkage to Bushkill Township Trail to access Sobers Run
 - Lynn Parcel – Existing trail to Boy Scout Use Area
 - Mertz Parcel – Proposed trails with linkage to Township rec complex trails
 - Develop Management Plans for Parks and Trail
- ⌘ Old Projects (still active/on hold):
 - Bushkill Watershed – Watershed Boundary Signs – Install along Twp Roads – signs stored at Public Works Department
 - Lehigh Valley Greenway Projects – RN – update
 - Englers Run – Official Naming
 - Policy on Alternative Energy Uses on Easements
 - Well Construction Standards – DC
 - Erhardt Plaque at Township Trailhead
- ⌘ Current Projects:
 - Ballas Preserve
 - WEEDS Inc was contacted to spray Mile-a-minute and Canada Thistle in the Spring
 - Albert Ponds
 - Riparian buffer planting seed and goose fencing (Jute twine with wooden posts?)
 - ADA Trail and Kayak/Canoe Launch
 - Bioretention Basins
 - Highlands Preserve
 - Need to develop a plan for improvements for public use as passive recreation
 - Develop Rules and Regulations
 - Site Development Plan
 - KR will reach out to local farmers about planting and cutting fields.
 - Heintzelman Preserve
 - Small wildflower and native grass planting on hillside where weeds are currently growing
 - Wind Gap Business Center
 - Eagle Scout Projects – KR
 - Jack Scherer – Benches, History Board, Bluebird Boxes, and Bat Boxes at Albert Ponds
 - Gabriel Nale – Fishing line receptacles at the ponds and 2 Picnic Tables at Albert Ponds
- ⌘ St. Luke's Trail Project
- ⌘ MS4 Program
 - Need to develop and establish a fee to fund implementation of PRP BMPs
 - Solicitor reviewed fee proposal and feels it is legally sound, but will require studies to support
- ⌘ Bridge Group Warehouse Project
- ⌘ Biosolids prohibition
 - Conservation Easements – old
 - KR will reach out to Easement holders to explain the Biosolid amendment with a small write-up on Biosolids. Will start with someone that we are more familiar with

Attendance:

	Jason Smith	Raymond Baratta
	Joe Esordi	
	Robert Neitz	Kerry Reider
	Robert Stanke	Belinda Roberts
	David Crowther	

New Business

- ⌘ Supervisor's Meeting Report
- ⌘ Upcoming events for EAC participation
- ⌘ Training & Conference Announcements
- ⌘ Planning Commission Reviews
- ⌘ **Natural Landscaping Discussion**
- ⌘ **Mike's Bait Shop is stocking Ballas and Heintzelman Ponds on October 30th.**

Executive Session – EAC members only

- ⌘ Open Space
 - Matrix – review and update – See matrix for applicable comments/actions
 - Properties – (see Executive Session Agenda) – See property list for applicable comments/actions.

Adjournment (Time: __: __PM)

Action Items for next Planning Commission Meeting:

Action Items for next Supervisors Meeting: