

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 4, 2024, at 7:30 P.M.

Plumstead Township Administrative Building

5186 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA 18947

Bala Sreenivasan, Chairperson
Andrew Thomas, Member
James Paul Johnson, Member
Lurleen Worthington, Member
Deb Noone, Member

Ms. Sreenivasan called the meeting to order at 7:36 P.M. with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Meeting minutes for the October 2024 meeting were approved by all.

There were two audience guests present. One guest, township resident Andrea Glang, advised she has applied to the EAC vacancy. She is a recent DelVal Environmental Studies graduate and has an interest in joining the EAC.

Mr. Thomas brought a stream monitoring device he had retrieved from being stored by prior member Tom Lurz, so it could be stored at the township. He will contact Pine Environmental to determine if the unit is still up to date etc. and discuss with the township if there is any interest in following through on testing stream quality.

October events were discussed:

- October 19, 2024- Road clean up took place on Gordon Road between Ferry Rd and Saw Mill Rd. A significant amount of empty bottles, cans, and trash items were removed, including a gas grill and syringes. Township police were notified of and disposed of the syringes. Following the road clean up, counsel proceeded to Scenic View Circle to plant approximately 27 shrubs and trees along the path near the water tank. Action item- follow up with Dwayne on how the plantings would be maintained once installed.
- October 26, 2024- EAC participated in the Township Halloween Event and handed out about 200 of the EAC bag project reusable bags to attendees. The bags were well received. Of note, one box of bags went to Plumstead Grange, one of the sponsors.

EAC plans to include an article in the next township newsletter on the activities. Need to find out from Debbie the deadlines.

The amount of trash along Rt. 611 in the township was discussed, with consideration to advising someone at the state level of the need to mitigate.

We discussed possible topics for 2025 activities. Suggestions included a manure management seminar, storm water management seminar, and a lantern fly seminar. Guest attendee Andrea Glanz indicated her interest and experience with native plants and pollinator plants, and an interest in participating. Past

projects in the township included the Durham Ridge wetlands project which has signage to identify plantings. Veterans Park was suggested as a good location to consider a project on native plants. It was mentioned that Warwick Township installed a micro forest within their township.

Ms. Sreenivasan advised so far there are two new members who will be going before the Supervisors for approval as EAC members, Rob Kopf and Alison Kingsley. She will look into the status of the application submitted by Ms. Glanz.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Noone