



**Montgomery Township
Environmental Advisory Committee
August 23, 2016
7:00PM**

The monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) was held on August 23, 2016 in the Montgomery Township Municipal Building. The members of the EAC in attendance included: Emily Strake, Jeff Gibbons, Jeanine Hurry, and Beth Staab. Also in attendance was Stacy Crandell, Assistant to the Township Manager.

Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06PM.

Approval of Minutes – March 22, 2016

Jeanine Hurry made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 22, 2016 and Jeff Gibbons seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Public Comment

None.

New Business

Chairman Beth Staab welcomed new EAC member Emily Strake and Emily gave the committee a brief background on her experience.

Old Business

Single Trash Hauler

The Committee brought up the Single Trash Hauler topic because of a recent study Lansdale Borough had done recently to explain their options. After a brief discussion, it was discussed that it would not work for the Township. A suggestion was made to see about working with your neighbors to see about going with one trash hauler for the neighborhood.

Wissahickon Creek Alternative TMDL Municipal Initiative

Township Staff gave a brief update on this initiative. On the Board of Supervisors Meeting on July 11th, the Board approved entering into the Alternative TMDL Intergovernmental Agreement to work with the other municipalities and the water treatment plants to develop an Alternative TMDL. The Pennsylvania Environmental Council (PEC) was able to receive a grant that would offset most of the cost leaving only \$250,000 that the participants of this agreement would have to pay. As of right now, 13 municipalities of the 16 municipalities have entered into the agreement. The Township will keep the Committee updated on the process as it moves forward.

Autumn Festival- Saturday, October 1, 2016- 12-6PM

Township Staff has ordered the leaf waste bags for Autumn Festival this year. Township Staff is currently putting together a schedule for the EAC Table. The following schedule is as follows:

12-2PM- Jeanine Hurry

2PM-4PM- Jeff Gibbons and Terry Wilson

4-6PM- Emily Strake

Powerline Trail Connector Phase I Project

Township Staff gave an update on the trail connection that will connect the 202 Parkway to the Community and Recreation Center through the Joseph Ambler Inn and Township Building Properties. A TAP Grant was awarded to the Township earlier this year but the project will not be completed until 2018 due to the federal design standards that have to be followed to complete this project.

New Ideas for Projects

The Committee is asking all of the members to come up with three ideas for new projects the committee can start working on. The ideas will be discussed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2016 at 7PM.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:03PM.