

**East Pikeland Township  
Environmental Advisory Council**

**Meeting Minutes  
May 24, 2018**

Present: Betsy Burns, Milissa Hirst, Leo Kaercher, & Dennis Ray  
Absent: Zach Rubinich, Samantha Uyeno, & Travis Uyeno  
Guests: Victoria Laubach (Green Valleys Watershed Association)  
Staff: Michelle Rubin

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

Minutes from the April meeting were approved as read.

**New Business**

1. Miller Pond Subdivision Short Form
  - The Council discussed the answers on the short form and found them agreeable. The committee voted to accept the short form and recommended that it be accepted by the planning commission. Betsy, the EAC co-chair signed the document.

**Old Business**

1. Kimberton Park Party Planning
  - Council members signed up for volunteer times
    - 1-2:30 Dennis and Betsy
    - 2:30-4 Melissa
      - Other Council members can fill in where they are able
  - The Council discussed what topics they wanted to highlight at the June 2 event.
    - The goal is to communicate who they are and what they do
    - Members discussed staying focused with messaging—discuss natives/invasives, upcoming bird walk, and encouraging people to sign up for the E-newsletter.
      - There will be a trifold about the EAC as well as another poster about stormwater management.
      - Melissa will work on an EAC blurb for the poster and send to Michelle who is compiling the posters
      - A few days before the event Michelle will send out a blurb to EAC members so that they are comfortable sharing the information with the public
      - Betsy will purchase a native plant for the giveaway
    - The Council decided to not share Bird Town information with the public at this time.
      - Instead, Michelle will create and share a google doc where Council members can start compiling and sharing information about Bird Town. Then, this information needs to be put together into a formal

proposal for the Board of Supervisors. The Council would like to seek approval from the Board before making promises to community members.

2. Resident volunteer, Trail bird walk

- The date selected is Saturday, June 30. Meet at 8:30am at the Rapps Dam Bridge. Bring binoculars and wear comfortable shoes. The walk will take approximately 2 hours.
- Michelle shared a flier that she created for the event that will be a handout for the Kimberton Park Party

3. Invasive/Native, etc. resources

- Michelle shared the new invasive/native handout. Council members made a few edits. Michelle will print copies and have them available for June 2

4. Rain garden

- The rain garden discussion was tabled until at least next month
  - The Schuylkill Highlands mini grant could be a good option to pay for it, if the EAC does not find funding we will probably not be able to do a workshop with a sample garden creation.
  - Leo mentioned that DEP has a mailing list that people can sign up for with press releases and other information about environmental topics. The mailing will also occasionally have grant information. He will send it out to the committee members

**Public Comment**

None.

Adjourned at 7:45pm

**NEXT MEETING – June 28, 2018**