

**Environmental Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**Tuesday, April 12, 2011**

**In Attendance:** Arnold Feldman, Keith Peters, Chairman, William Lloyd, Sandra Zadell, Assistant Township Manager, Karen Sweeney, Park & Recreation Director, Sinclair Salisbury, Director of Code Enforcement, Thomas Scarborough & Richard Colello, Board of Supervisors Members and Judy Stern Goldstein, Township Planning Consultant. Also in Attendance: Ray Hendicks, Township Ornithologist. Visitors: Steve Saffir, Bird Town & Huu Ngo, EPA.

**Steve Saffir – Bird Town**, reported to the committee that they have changed their program since their last presentation to us; they reduced the \$850 per year to \$450 per year to participate in the program. One way that they reduced that cost is to change the training element. Instead of having small private training sessions they now have one large, open to the public, back yard workshop to train people interested in becoming Bird Town members. Their \$450 fee will still include signs, banners, brochures, logos, etc. There are 14 criteria that Bird Town requires townships to meet; out of the 14 they require that townships only meet 5 of those criteria per year. They are also working on a fundraising campaign that will include little decals that will go on at local businesses, they can buy a \$50 decal and that will say they are supporters of Bird Town.

Mr. Saffir did say that Doylestown Borough and Doylestown Township could join forces and just be Doylestown Bird Town, that way they could split the \$450 fee to \$225 each.

Mr. Peters will contact the Doylestown Borough EAC to discuss if they are interested in partnering in the Bird Town Project.

**Huu Ngo – Environmental Protection Agency**, gave a brief presentation on the ChemFab Superfund Site. Although this site resides in Doylestown Borough the fall out from some of the pollution can travel into ground water and through the air and the Doylestown Township boundary line runs directly behind the site.

Mr. Ngo reported that currently the EPA is in the remedial investigation of the site there is still a lot of continuing work to be done there. It was listed in 2007 as a Superfund Site, their plan will be to remove the soils that were polluted and then excavate the soil offsite and use what ever disposal means best to clarify the soil to improve the groundwater.

The EAC had several questions for Mr. Ngo regarding the specifics of the site. Mr. Peters stated that it would be best if EAC members could get together and generate a list of questions for Mr. Ngo which we will email to him in the future.

Mr. Ngo was asked to email Mrs. Zadell the website for the Superfund Site that lists all the documents and other items that should be listed there. He was also asked if he would

come back in the future for a more detailed presentation once the EAC compiles more questions. He answered that he would be happy to do that.

**Outdoor Wood Fired Burner Ordinance** – The EAC reviewed the Outdoor Wood Fired Boiler Draft Ordinance with Mrs. Stern Goldstein. They made several changes to the ordinance.

The first change located on page 4 of the Ordinance – Outdoor Wood Fired Boiler shall only be operated between September 1<sup>st</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup> each year instead of September 30<sup>th</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup> each year.

At Mr. Salisbury's request they changed Section 6, Item A to a permit shall be secured, instead of a building permit shall be secured.

They clarified some language on Page 5 of the document, Section 6, Item G – they changed the section to read – upon the sale or transfer of any real property the permit shall be renewed after reapplication to the Township. After reapplication to the Township, was the addition.

Page 6 of the ordinance, Section 8, Item C, instead of the sentence saying they may revoke the building permit, the sentence says, may revoke the Certificate of Compliance.

Mrs. Stern Goldstein will incorporate all of these changes into the Ordinance and email them to Mrs. Zadell on Wednesday morning.

Since the committee does not have quorum they will review the emailed Ordinance via email and then Mrs. Zadell will forward the Ordinance to the Planning Commission.

**Meeting Notes** – The committee reviewed the Meeting Notes from 3/8/11 and Mr. Lloyd indicated that Mrs. Zadell did forget to list him in attendance. Since there is no quorum they can not approve the meeting notes.

Mr. Peters requested that when listing the plan reviews on the EAC agenda that Mrs. Zadell will send a separate sheet indicating what prior comments the EAC had on the plan instead of listing them on the agenda.

**White Eagle Labs Plan** – The Committee then reviewed the White Eagle Labs plans that were submitted. They would like to draft a memo to the White Eagle Labs Developers that addresses their previous memo that was sent in January 2011. The memo should say: To please answer our previous memo dated January 2011 and also should ask that all proposed residential pole fixtures should be full cut off light fixtures in order to comply with Section 153-56c of our Township Code. The third item on the memo should be that all storm drains should be stenciled. Mrs. Zadell will draft and distribute the memo.

Mr. Salisbury commented that the lighting issues should be something that the EAC looks at in the future all lighting that is pole mounted in the Township should be full cut off and he hopes that the EAC will review those items in the future.

**Pine Run Community** - The Committee reviewed the Pine Run Land Development plan and would like to send a memo that indicates that they should be stenciling their storm drains.

**Arbor Day** – The Committee reviewed the Arbor Day celebration that is scheduled for April 30, 2011. Mrs. Zadell reported that there will be four volunteers from the Central Bucks Key Club as well as volunteers from Troop 52 to help plant trees that day.

**Lukoil** – The Committee reviewed the Lukoil issue. Mr. Feldman stated that he feels that no one would like to make that trip but if he is in the area to view the documents at DEP he will stop in and view them.

**EAC Summit** – Mr. Peters reported on the EAC Summit that Doylestown Borough is going to partner with us on the summit; they have asked Karen Hyland, their engineer to discuss storm water. We have asked Judy Stern Goldstein to discuss any upcoming environmental ordinances that the EAC should be aware of. We have invited Sandra Yerger from Heritage Conservancy to speak on fundraising and Steve Saffir to talk about the Bird Town program.

Mr. Peters also reported that he is seeking sponsors for potential thumb drive donors, so that we can put all of the documents on thumb drives instead of printing them out for the summit.

**Trash Survey** - Mr. Peters reported that the trash survey went before the Board of Supervisors; they approved it so it will be included in the Newsletter. The EAC did want to make a couple of changes on Item E – do you recycle? Yes or No – they would like to include – Sometimes.

Item D – instead of - How many bags of trash do you generate? They would like – How much trash do you generate?

**Leaf & Yard Waste** - Mr. Feldman stated that he will volunteer for the June Leaf & Yard Waste Collection. Mr. Peters will email Mr. Fehr & Mr. Richardson about the April date and Mr. Lloyd will be covering the May, Leaf & Yard Waste Collection date.

The EAC indicated that due to the increased participation at the Leaf & Yard Waste drop off site they would like to potentially increase the offerings in the Spring & Fall months to include 2 dates. Mrs. Zadell will check to see how much the overtime would cost and also check with Delaware Valley College to see if they are available.

**Riparian Buffers** – Mr. Peters reported that Riparian Buffers is on the agenda because Mr. Touhill is currently working toward Riparian Buffer issues but Mr. Touhill is not in attendance so we will discuss this at the next meeting that he is in attendance.

**PA EAC Survey** – Mr. Peters and the Committee in general surmised that they do want to respond to this survey if they will get a report back. There is no Not Applicable option on the survey and he is hoping that there would be, the Committee was not sure how they would like to respond to that survey.

**Government Access Channel** - Mr. Feldman that while he spent some time in the hospital recently he noticed that the hospital does not have our channel up on their TV system. The EAC will do a memo to TAB regarding this issue, “Why doesn’t the hospital air the Township’s TV channel.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.