

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Notes
February 14, 2012

In Attendance: Keith Peters, Chairman; EAC members, Kelly McGowan, Ethan Prout, Kevin Brand; Board of Supervisors Liaison, E Thomas Scarborough; Board of Supervisors Member Rick Colello, and Sandra Brookley Zadell, Assistant Township Manager, Staff Liaison.

Mr. Peters introduced Kevin Brand to the EAC and welcomed him as the Committee's newest member.

On a motion made by Ms. McGowan, seconded by Mr. Prout the minutes of the January 10, 2012 meeting were approved. The motion passed.

Mr. Peters presented the results of the Trash Survey and asked the committee if they thought they would be ready to make a presentation to the Board of Supervisors on March 20, 2012.

The committee discussed the fact that Mr. Peters should address several issues in his presentation to the Board of Supervisors and during the presentation to township residents about the Trash Survey.

The EAC wants to highlight the environmental impact of having multiple trash haulers including: recycling loss, truck emissions and leaf & yard waste loss at the curbside. We also need to talk about the levels of service and the options to increase recyclable items if we had a single trash hauler.

Mr. Peters will present to the Board of Supervisors the information from the Trash Survey at the March 20th meeting of the Board of Supervisors and ask for permission to host a public Town Hall meeting with residents in April.

Mrs. Zadell will send an email to the EAC asking them to research the different points that we need to have prepared for the presentation.

The Committee then discussed the Birdtown presentation that will be occurring on March 17, 2012. It is training for interested residents. Steve Rubinstein sent a flyer to us which we will post on the internet and post information on the Government Access Channel to advertise the program.

Mr. Peters asked if any EAC members wanted to attend the training and explained that if they did beyond the two initial free members it would be \$55.

Mr. Peters stated that the Historic Tree Memo went to the Board of Supervisors at their last meeting and we have not received any response.

The EAC reviewed the EAC Summit which is coming up on May 17, 2012. They identified potential topics and speakers for the upcoming summit. They identified that Doris Clegg would be a good speaker to talk about EACs working with schools, they identified Doylestown Borough as a potential candidate to speak about EAC effectiveness and new EAC's. Another topic they would like to look at is finding volunteers within the Faith Community; Mrs. Zadell will contact Khiet Luong at PEC to see if he has any ideas of any EAC's that have been successful in finding volunteers with in the Faith Community. Mr. Peters will ask Lynn Goldman, Chair of the Bike & Hike Committee if the Bike & Hike Committee could come and talk to the EACs about trail building in communities.

Mrs. Zadell brought up the PEC's EAC Conference which is coming up in March 2012. On a motion made by Mr. Prout, seconded by Ms. McGowan the committee voted to send two attendees to the EAC Conference. At this time they do not know who would like to go, but they will open it up to everyone via email and see who would like to attend.

The Committee discussed the Arbor Day Tree Planting the will be April 28, 2012. Mrs. Zadell will contact Mr. John to get information about where they would like to do the tree planting this year.

The Committee reviewed the RCDC correspondence, they feel that they really do not need a trailer as outlined in the letter because the staff here has enough items for us to use when we are doing tree planting.

Mrs. Zadell reported on her upcoming maternity leave, that she will most likely not be at the July, August & September meetings of the EAC and they discussed the potential cancelling of some of those meetings due to summer schedules anyway.

On a motion made by Ms. McGowan, seconded by Mr. Prout the committee voted to adjourn at 8:35pm.