ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL Meeting Notes by Autumn Canfield September 13th, 2016

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In Attendance: EAC Members: Don Richardson, Vice Chairmain, Anne Woodbury, Jeannine Mitchell, Marty Brooks, Dr. Tanya Casas; Autumn Canfield (Special Projects Coordinator), Stephanie Mason (Manager)

In Mr. Sablosky's Absence, Mr. Richardson proceeded as chair of the meeting. Mr. Richardson called meeting to order: 7:05pm

Minutes Approval

Mr. Brooks motioned to approve the minutes and Ms. Woodbury seconded. All present in favor.

Plan Review

The plan for the Enclave at Towne's Edge was finalized with a copy given to the EAC. No action needed.

New Business

Larry, guest from Warminster Township EAC, asked what the process of plan review was. Steph explained copies of the plan were sent out to multiple committees for review before plans are finalized. Finalized plans are then sent to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Water event-

Larry asked why the EAC was not involved in the water crisis. It was explained that the EAC defers to the Doylestown Township Municipal Authority on the matter. Larry finds the municipal authorities are following the EPA and he is doing his own investigation on the limits they set as acceptable. He invited the EAC to an even at the Fuge in Warminster regarding the matter. Dr. Casas offered to distribute the information on the internal network at Delaware Valley University.

Riparian Corridor Map-

A map of the riparian corridors in Doylestown Township was given to the committee as they had discussed creating one and surveying the areas for conditions of the corridors. The map of corridors existing from Boucher and James and provides a starting point for surveys. Next step in the process is identifying public vs. private land and tax parcel numbers associated with areas. This information can be used in the Bird Town initiative for education where mailings can be done to streamside property owners.

Dr. Casas inquired about Sauerman pond as a neighbor was interested in scheduling a clean-up. Mrs. Mason explained that Princeton Hydro had come out and done samples on the water to determine health of the pond. The results haven't been received yet. She suggested having the neighbor come to an EAC meeting to discuss proper procedure.

Old Business

Meadow Signage-

Ms. Woodbury and Mrs. Mitchell will be meeting with Valerie Liggett from Boucher and James to discuss edits on the signage for the meadow. Ms. Woodbury has been drafting information to use. She had

contacted Bowman's hill for permission for use of their information but has not had a response. The group hopes to have mock up signage for review at the next meeting.

Fall Speaker Series-

Doug Tallamy will be the Third Annual Fall Speaker for the EAC speaker series. The life science building auditorium is booked for October 27th with the presentation starting at 6:00pm. Dr. Casas will retrieve information on how to handle book signing at the University. Draft flyers and tickets were presented. Ms. Canfield will have flyers and tickets finalized shortly for distribution once all partners are procured. The group decided on a cost of \$10.00 per ticket with student admission free with ID. If proceeds exceed expenditures for the presentation and associated travel costs, excess will be allocated to future fall speaker series events. Dr. Casas is reaching out to Parkhurst dining to get estimates on snacks for the event. The finished flyer will be advertised in various places including being sent to other EAC's, garden clubs, the Audubon society and other relevant groups.

Record Tree Inspection-

Mr. Richardson and Mr. Brooks recapped their inspection of a potential record tree in the Township. After presenting to the group it was recommended that the tree be recorded as it is worthy to preserve. It was decided that a certificate and letter of recognition will be sent to the owners of the property indicating the decision of the Committee. Ms. Woodbury made a motion and Dr. Casas seconded to do so, all members in favor.

Native Garden update-

The garden contest winners will be announced in October. The Telecommunications Advisory Board worked with Mrs. Mitchell to make a video of the Native Garden for submission in the PSATS contest.

The Native Garden Brigade had a very successful work day. They group wondered if they could make a specific tree that creates a lot of shade cover a snag. It was suggested to prune the tree back instead of killing it all together. Mr. Brooks offered to assist. Mrs. Mitchell also requested on behalf of the brigade to have an Eagle Scout project done to make a post and vine fence around the garden to delineate it from other areas. The committee asked for further information and pictures of what it would look like. Lastly, the brigade requested to put more shrubs in the garden in the fall. Mrs. Mitchell believes she can get these plants donated and the committee had no qualms with the additions.

Magnet Fundraiser- Ms. Canfield was able to obtain estimates from several magnet companies, however requested the matter be tabled until a design could be created. At the moment it is difficult to create a design due to copyright requirements.

Other

The next meeting of this committee will be held October 11th, 2016

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted, Autumn Canfield Special Projects Coordinator