Doylestown Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2017

In attendance:

- J. Baldassarre
- M. Brooks
- T. Casas
- S. Mason
- J. Mitchell
- D. Richardson (Vice Chair)
- A. Sustin (Intern)
- A. Woodbury
- D. Richardson is acting Chair for this meeting.

Meeting minutes for September are approved

Old Business:

Budget review: \$4848/\$6000 remains. EAC will request \$6000 for next year. Committee proposes that the EAC will sponsor one Oak tree for the Township next year.

Tree planting: A. Woodbury is leading this activity. The honor board is quite expensive (especially engraving). The committee will look for less expensive ways to acknowledge contributors. We need to set a deadline for tree sponsorship so we know how many container trees to order; trees will be available to the public on Earth Day (April 21) 2017. M. Brooks to determine the deadline for purchasing container trees. We all agree that both tree programs need to be advertised to the community (Township Community Access TV, Bucks County Herald, Doylestown Patch). A. Woodbury will look into the advertising. Sponsorship forms were distributed.

Native Plant Garden: Upcoming work days are Oct 21, 28, Nov 4 and Nov 11. On November 4 Schumacher and Associates will be delivering plants for planting, and the ground needs to be prepared. M. Brooks proposes to use a backhoe to prepare the ground and pull roots, but there may be liability issues; J. Mitchell and M. Brooks will consult with Butch and Dave Tomko prior to Nov 21 to get permission or an alternative plan. Gino's Nursery will also be donating 200 plants of various types, which may need to be sheltered over the winter for spring planting. J. Mitchell has identified attractive biodegradable plant markers which will be donated. The EAC will also have access to a tree tag maker if so desired, for labeling trees.

Magnets. The magnets are not selling and the Committee proposes to give the remaining magnets away as tokens of appreciation to volunteers and partners.

Speaker Series: David Culp will be speaking at Del Val University on October 18 on 'The Layered Garden'. Doylestown EAC is a Co-sponsor.

New Business:

- S. Sablosky has resigned from the EAC for personal reasons. The EAC needs to select a new Chairperson. J. Mitchell was unanimously elected and will be confirmed by the Board of Supervisors at the next meeting. J. Baldassarre will take over responsibilities for Bird Town activities.
- T. Casas distributed a copy of a Global Warming Resolution created in Ferguson Pa Township, for review by the Committee.