Doylestown Township EAC Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2019

- J. Mitchell (Chairman)
- D. Richardson (Vice Chairman)
- A. Woodbury
- H. Shiver
- M. Brooks
- A. Susten (Special Projects Coordinator)
- J. Herring (Supervisor)
- M. Rathore (Guest)

<u>Approval of minutes from May 14' 2019 were approved with one change. Andrea was not in attendance</u> at the meeting but the minutes showed she was present.

Mr. Brooks moved to approve the minutes. A. Woodbury seconded. Unanimous motion carried.

Budget was reviewed. A. Woodbury mentioned that \$1,000 from the Bicentennial Committee would be added to the budget though it was not shown.

New Business:

EAC presence at Summer Concerts – The EAC would like to attend at least two concerts this year where they will wear their shirts and name tags. A table will be set and the EAC will bring their banner, print information, seeds for giveaways and the bird ID 'game'.

June 26 @ 7pm– (Philly Funk Authority) – Tanya and Marty Brooks to attend.

July 7 @ 7pm- (Bigg Romeo + Fireworks)- Jeannine and Tanya

Andrea suggested having a concert box in which all the necessary equipment is in one place and can be easily stored and transferred.

Summary of meeting with Karen Sweeney about P&R + EAC Programs, "Green Scene" in P&R Program Guide and the idea of 'Park Partners'.

EAC to communicate with Andrea, who will communicate with Kaitlyn, the P& R Program Coordinator, to add the Bird Walk, Fall Speaker and Burning Bush ID/Removal Class to the P&R Program Guide. Future discussion of the Burning Bush ID/Removal Class occurred. Jeannine and Marty will volunteer for this class. Jeannine will speak to Chris Mason, Parks Superintendent, about the use of roundup or diesel fuel for remaining stump of larger trees.

J Mitchell tabled future discussion of 'Park Partners' to September meeting.

Jen Herring spoke about the Green Points ordinance. It is now officially a newly adopted ordinance. Jen would like to promote using the Green Points ordinance and set a standard. The building of the community center using the rules and regulations of Green Points would display the Townships support in following the guidelines.

The EAC supports the Green Points ordinance and will write a MEMO to the Board stating their support.

EAC reviewed plant for input on the new Township building plant installation. J. Mitchell summarized the EAC's role to generate a plant list, speak to Judy Stern Goldstein and gather professional recommendations and project costs.

Anne will visit Solebury Twp. rain garden to see how they went about their plantings. Don Richardson suggested urban plantings. Jeannine mentioned the asymmetry of the Township building and how trees and shrubs would complement the footprint.

In the meantime, Jeannine and Heidi will plant the 8 containers. Jeannine will email Rick Shea to discuss the plan for container plantings.

Target date for new building plant list is August 2019. Plantings will occur in September.

Guest : Mr. Mithun Rathore – New property owner of 891 & 895 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA 18901.

Resident from Huston, TX with an interest in the environment and background as a business broker. His interest is to incorporate the landscape history, sustainability and environmental stewardship. He approached the EAC with a proposition of working with the Township to buy the energy he produces on his future solar field.

Various members of the EAC advised Mr. Rathore to speak to Bill Sabey from Ready for 100. Members also decided to vote on supporting Mr. Rathore's concept and placed a motion stating "The EAC supports the concept of resident Mithun Rathore to develop a two acre property to include a solar array. The EAC supports the Township's future investigation of the concept".

Chairman J. Mitchell moves to create a memo to the board. Mr. Richardson seconds the motion.

New Business continued:

Ms. Woodbury confirmed the speaker for September 20, 2019 at 7pm.

Andrea will communicate with Park and Recreation to add the speaker to the Park and Recreation Program guide.

Ms. Woodbury is to speak to Margaret in the Township front office about scheduling to speaker for the Township meeting room.

Ms. Woodbury spoke about the Doylestown Borough EAC and how there are major differences between their EAC and the Townships. The Borough EAC is solely focusing on banning plastics.

SALDO- EAC members questioned why the ordinance is still in draft mode and not CODE yet. Ms. Susten said she would speak with Ms. Mason to see why the ordinance was in the place that it was.

Ms. Shiver agreed to take the minutes at the EAC summit which is scheduled to be held on June 12, 2019.

Ms. Shiver spoke to the Strategic Plan review and would like to focus on completing items and/or changing dates to reflect reality.

Ms. Mitchell moved to end EAC meeting and the motion was seconded by Ms. Shiver. The meeting ended at 8:55 pm.