Upper Makefield Township Environmental Advisory Council Meeting

October 13, 2015

The October 13, 2015 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Environmental Advisory Council was called to order by Chair Keith Miller at 7:11 PM. In attendance were the following members of the Environmental Advisory Council: Vice Chair Cathy Magliocchetti, Member Bud Baldwin, Member Jack Wiseman, Member Kyle Dudley, Member Dr. Ed Ford, Member Nicole Khan, Board of Supervisors Liaison Tom Cino, Heritage Conservancy Member Jeff Marshall and Staff Liaison Cindy La Rue. Members of the public were also present.

I. Call to Order: 7:11 pm

II. Public Comment

No Comment from the public

III. Approval of meeting minutes:

A. September 13, 2015

Approved 5-0

IV. Discussion Items:

A. Shawn Szababofka; 140 Walker Road, Tree Grant

Mr. Szababofka, an Upper Makefield Township Resident residing at 140 Walker Road of the Walker Road Subdivision; (4.3 Acres), requested the Environmental Advisory Council to review possibilities regarding the reforestation and implementation of a wild flower field at his property. After some discussion Dr. Ford motionedthat contingent upon an inspection of the property, two hundred (200) whips and small potted trees or five hundred dollars (\$500.00) which ever number is lower.It was second by Ms. Magliocchetti. Approved 5-0

B. Open Space Acquisition Continued:

Executive Session 7:19 PM Return from Executive Session 7:46 PM

Mr. Baldwin motioned to recommend to the Board of Supervisors the appraisal of "Property E"; while simultaneously completing the criteria worksheet and having a conversation with the owner of "Property E" on the possibilities of land use. Dr. Ford seconded; Approved 5- 0. The Environmental Advisory Council requested the Mr. Marshall continue to speak with highlighted properties for possible preservation.

C. EAC 2016 Budget Request:

1) Monitoring Expenses:

Ms. La Rue stated that the 2016 monitoring budget request is on track as previously discussed at the September Environmental Advisory Council meeting. The budgeted amount is Twenty-four thousand, five hundred (\$24,500), pending approval by the Board of Supervisors.

2) Watershed Restoration Plan Potential Match Requirements:

Motioned by Ms. Magliocchetti to reopen the Request for Proposal for thirty days (30)amended with a disclosure statement stating that there has not been enough applicants thus far. It was seconded by Mr. Baldwin. Approved 5-0



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D. Hough & Jericho Creek Study Potential for Outside Services to Perform Study

Mr. Baldwin motioned to take the current resolution 2013-8-20 to the Board of Supervisors and recommend it to become an Ordinance. Seconded by Dr. Ford. Approved 5-0

E. Emerald Ash Borer:

Discussion ensued about the insect. Mr. Wiseman & Ms. La Rue stated the recommendations given by the PA Horticulture Society on how to handle the invasion of this insect.

V. Liaison's Report

A. Board of Supervisors, Tom Cino:

Mr. Cino reiterated previously discussed information surrounding the upcoming budget approval and Open Space Acquisition.

B. Parks and Recreation, Cathy Magliocchetti:

Ms. Magliocchetti informed members that native wildflowers, pending approval will be purchased and planted on Township owned land. Motioned by Ms. Khan, seconded by Ms. Magliocchetti. Approved 5-0

C. Township Staff, Cindy La Rue:

Stated that Earth Day would be on the November Environmental Advisory Council Agenda

VI. Adjournment:

Motion for adjournment by Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Miller seconded. Approved 5-0.

Adjourned 9:12 PM

Approved 11/10/2015 (5-0)

