## UPPER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP

## ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Tuesday November 9, 2010 8:00 p.m. Meeting Municipal Complex, 1076 Eagle Road

The public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Environmental Advisory Council was held on November 9, 2010 at 8:00 P.M. at the Upper Makefield Township Municipal Building, 1076 Eagle Road, Newtown, PA. The public session was called to order at 8:00 pm.

#### **Present:**

Barbara Hirst Chair Cathy Magliocchetti Vice-Chair Ed Ford Member Paul Greger Member Loraine Muth Member Phil Sandine Member **Board Liaison** Tom Cino Mary Ryan **BOS** Member Dave Kuhns Planning & Zoning

**PUBLIC COMMENT**: No public present

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** October 12, 2010

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

## a. Feinstone/Township Stormwater Management, con't from 9-14-10 meeting.

At no cost to the Township, Langan Engineering has come up with suggestions for a stormwater management plan. Low impact measures such as rain barrels at the Police Station and the Municipal building would have a noticeable effect to the properties downstream. The EAC is seeking to continue a plan that would use volunteers for the greatest impact and minimize the financial cost for the Township. Ms. Magliocchetti and Mr. Sandine will author a basic application with help from Planning & Zoning and Langan Engineering.

#### b. Act 537 Plan, Con't from the 10-12-10 meeting.

Members of EAC will work on gaining specific data to continue evaluation of proposed plan.

## c. Cohen/Ulrich Request for Tree Buffering

Historically the tree bank fund has not be used to plant trees on private property. The EAC will take no further action.

#### d. Riparian Grant Process.

Mr. Ford would like a legal interpretation by Mr. Rice, Esq. for the possibility of public use of the Riparian Grant fund to be used as a more holistic approach creating repairs throughout the township.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

## a. Washington Crossing Park Committee, Dave Kuhns.

The Historic Park's consultant Andy Hamilton, Carter Van Dyke Associates reviews the concept restorative vegetation plan for the new Visitor's Center. While the plan removes 54 trees for construction the plan includes plantings of: shrubs, donated deep rooted trees, warm weather grasses, and wildflowers. After much discussion the EAC voted to recommend this plan to the Board of Supervisors is acceptable as long as future plantings sufficiently compensate for what is being removed.

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# **LIAISON REPORT:**

# a. Board of Supervisors: Tom Cino

The Board of Supervisors is working on a budget that stresses anything that can reduce costs.

# b. Park & Recreation Report-Cathy Magliocchetti.

No mow zone has been staked out at Look-out Park, cooperation is anticipated.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn 10:40 pm.

Minutes approved with made corrections at the February 8, 2011 EAC meeting.