Upper Makefield Environmental Advisory Council October 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The October 8, 2024 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Environmental Advisory Council was called to order by Chair Cathy Magliocchetti at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Environmental Advisory Council: Chair Cathy Magliocchetti, Vice Chair Harry Barfoot, Member Bud Baldwin, Member Carolyn Dorph, Member Eddie Hale, and Member Ellen Radow. Also in attendance were Township Supervisor Ben Weldon and Planning & Zoning Administrative Assistant, Ashleigh Somershoe.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Chair Cathy Magliocchetti confirmed a quorum.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Noah Norman of 947 Mt. Eyre Road stated concerns regarding erosion along Jericho Creek and introduced his friend Trevor Hufnagle.

Trevor Hufnagle of 204 Thompson Mill Road is also concerned the erosion and about stopping the Creek from expanding a couple feet every year.

Ms. Magliocchetti explained about the Township process and where to find the information on the website regarding Riparian Grant and suggested a possible EAC site visit.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Barfoot and seconded by Ms. Dorph to approve the September 10, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

TREE GIVE AWAY - DISTRIBUTION LOGISTICS

Mr. Hale provided an overview of the Upper Makefield Tree giveaway. He had spoken with Ms. Caporiccio, Township Assistant Manager, regarding the sign-up lists. She stated that she spoke with the Public Works Department for distribution.

Discussion followed with the following topics:

- Ms. Dorph explained the Township would be receiving 168 trees to distribute.
- Varieties would vary. Trees are to be picked up on October 29th and distributed on Saturday, November 1st from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Barfoot will be in attendance to distribute the trees.
- Discussion commenced regarding notification to the people who signed up. Each resident who signed up will be contacted.
- Decision to give remaining trees to Township (Public Works) or resident Patricia Hritz, who has already been approved for tree planting on her property.

BUCKS BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM – APPLICATION AND PROJECT DISCUSSION

Ms. Magliocchetti confirmed that the Board approved joining the Bucks Beautiful program. Discussion followed with the following topics:

- Planting of the Daffodils at both the Brownsburg & Lookout Parks
- Discussion commenced regarding the EAC "walking" the park to choose the planting areas.
- Suggestion of October 22nd @ 4:30 p.m. Meeting at Brownsburg and then to Lookout.

CHAIR REPORT

EAC Chair – Cathy Magliocchetti

There was no Chair Report.

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Supervisors – Ben Weldon

Mr. Weldon provided Board of Supervisor status on the following topics:

- Thanks to the EAC for their preparation and participation in a successful Community Day.
- Board approved the design on Kudra property blockage. How to move forward with the design, has not yet been determined.
- Board has set aside \$150,000.00 for a potential comment on the documents concerning the Delaware River Joint toll Bridges's proposed "replacement" of the Washington Crossing Bridge.

PLANNING & ZONING – Ashleigh Somershoe

There was no P&Z Report.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Community Day success and educating residents on the history of the Township and things offered in the Township. Suggestion to add information to the Newsletter to educate the Community.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Baldwin and seconded by Mr. Hale to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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Denise Burmester Director of Planning & Zoning Approved: November 12, 2024