

Upper Makefield *Township*

Environmental Advisory Council Meeting

January 13, 2015

The January 13, 2015 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Environmental Advisory Council was called to order by Chair Keith Miller at 6:36 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Environmental Advisory Council: Chair Keith Miller, Vice-Chair Cathy Magliocchetti, Member Bud Baldwin, Member Ed Ford, Liaison Mary Ryan, Planning & Zoning Department, Dave Kuhns and Supervisor, Tom Cino.

I. Call to Order – 6:36 p.m.

II. Public Comment – no comment.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes -

A. October 14, 2014 - Approved.

B. November 11, 2014 – Approved.

IV. Discussion Item -

A. 2015 EAC Reorganization – A motion was made by Bud Baldwin and seconded by Cathy Magliocchetti to nominate Keith Miller as Chair. Bud Baldwin recommended Cathy Magliocchetti as Co-Chair which was seconded by Keith Miller. Recommendations of the positions are to be given to the Board for their approval.

The EAC noted changing the meeting start time from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

B. Update on Landscape Plan with Baseball Club President – Craig Beverley, President of the Club (phone: 215-534-1474) was present. Cathy Magliocchetti discussed landscape management tools including storm water techniques and drainage issues with respect to Lookout Park. Mr. Beverley was informed that in early spring the UMT staff will contact him to have him meet with the EAC and the new landscaper onsite to discuss different types of drainage techniques, tick management, signage, materials to residents, seating, and buffering areas separating the walkways from the meadows. EAC is working with Public Works to put in another french drain behind Patriot field. Mr. Beverley was concerned about the storm water management and the walkways. Discussion of the plan of the walkways was discussed. David Kuhns was going to discuss the request with Public Works and Park & Rec. The EAC was going to coordinate the landscape contractor with Assistant Township Manager, Judy Caporiccio.

C. EAC Memo to Mr. Nyman dated October 14, 2014 – Ed Ford and Cathy Magliocchetti were contacted by Dave Nyman; neither of them had spoken with Dave Nyman as he wanted to go off the record regarding the memorandum. Concerns were still there. The EAC wants to express their thoughts to the Board and Township Management. Tom Cino

asked what was the action the EAC was requesting, simply awareness? The suggestion in the memorandum was to have an outside consultant give training and education to the BoS regarding their behavior toward township staff, volunteers and residents. Tom Cino responded saying that they could not stop what BoS members say or do and there is no law about someone behaving arrogantly.

Ed Ford stated he was interviewed in private for the EAC position and asked that the BoS interview candidates for the EAC in public.

- D. Edelson and Falkenstein Updates – Edelson: Dave Kuhns reported in September the BoS voted to fund the engineering and permit fees in the amount of \$3,590 and the design and permit fees of \$9,500. Vote was unanimous. Falkenstein: waiting for golf course engineer to perform a downstream assessment. Mary Ryan spoke with Mr. Lieberman (application was submitted a while ago and remains open) who requested that his submission not be tacked on to the Falkenstein application as he wanted the Falkenstein application to be expedited and suggested that his application be revisited after the golf course did their assessment. The applications would have to work in unison. The golf course wanted to include that parcel in their assessment. The Board approved an allocation of money from the riparian fund to be spent on the design. The Township Engineer will need to speak with the golf course for the sign off on the access to their land. As of this date, the Lieberman proposal had not been approved by the EAC. It was suggested that Mr. Lieberman come before the EAC with an updated application showing how to slow the downstream flow. Jericho Creek now has double channels. Jericho has a right to file an application. A commercial entity has never filed for an application.
- E. Open Space Program - BoS requested the EAC to give a recommendation for the \$2 million balance including the two open offers.

The EAC went into executive session for their discussion.

V. Liaison's Report -

- A. Board of Supervisors: Mary Ryan
- B. Park and Rec: Cathy Magliocchetti
- C. Planning and Zoning: Dave Kuhns

VI. Adjournment - 8:20 p.m.

Next meeting – Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

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