

WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP

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ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES FOR JULY 11, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

IN ATTENDANCE

Evelyn Burton, Paul DeVincenzo, Jay Megonnell, Robert Nicolodi, Marcel Smullen

ABSENT John Miele

Friends of the EAC - Patti Estheimer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from June 13, 2017 were approved as read.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PRESENTATIONS

none

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEWS

none

BUSINESS

* Newsletter Articles Due July 21 - Evelyn will write an article describing the advantages of planting native trees, highlighting 3 species. Patti has submitted an article with changes in WM recycling procedures, and Bob will write a notice

to announce tire recycling. John has been in touch with the Landscape for Life organizers and they reported that all publicity must go through them, so the EAC will not write an article for the next newsletter.

- Brochure Changes - Patti has made changes to the recycling brochure and copies will be available for distribution at the Township Festival and the Township Building.
- Parks and Rec Comp Plan - John and Marcel attended the first meeting of the Parks and Rec steering committee, which is comprised of volunteers from community groups. The purpose is to get input on goals and evaluation from community members to help form a comprehensive plan, which will eventually be presented to the BoS.
- Bluebird Trail Update - Marcel reported that all boxes are in good shape and that there has been a lot of nesting activity, with one specie sometimes evicting another. There is currently one box with bluebird eggs and one with babies, as well as nests of tree swallows and wrens.
- Tire Recycling Update - Harold has given approval to use the Compost Center and the BoS approved the plan. Volunteers from Boy Scout Troop #27 will help handle the tires. Signs will be posted at the Compost Center, Township Building, and at the Township Festival. The date is September 30, 8:00AM - 2:00PM. The rate schedule will be in the newsletter article.
- EAC Discussion - Booth Display for WHT Festival on Aug. 19, 2017 - The display will include copies of the updated recycling brochure, free copies of the book "Wildlife of Pennsylvania," a display of rainwater runoff problems, a tire recycling notice, and any other pertinent material from the EAC archives. A sign will also advertise the meeting dates, noting that the public is welcome.

PUBLIC COMMENTS and/or OTHER BUSINESS

The members discussed control of the woolly adelgid, emerald ash borer destruction, and a possible topic for a future workshop on invasive species.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Next Meeting – Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 6:30 pm