

# WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP



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## ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

### MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2017

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### IN ATTENDANCE

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

**Friends of the EAC** - Patti Estheimer, Carol Buskirk

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from October 10, 2017 were approved as read.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT / PRESENTATIONS

#### SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEWS

#### BUSINESS

- New Township Website - John described the November 13 meeting about the new website and reviewed the beta version. EAC will be able to post photos, information and meeting minutes. The site should be online within a month. The EAC will include a link to the DCNR fact sheets on invasive species. Carol will be the consultant for the EAC page.
- Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan (CBPRP) - Buffer Project - Nick Smullen of Troop 27 met with Kristen Kyler of Greening the Lower Susquehanna concerning his buffer project at Lenker Park. Nick will present his plan to the EAC after he gets Scout approval for his project. Marcel will add 8-10 bluebird boxes to the finished buffer area, as this location has a large bluebird population.  
The riparian buffer at the Rec Center will have new trees planted in the spring to replace the dead ones.
- Pre-App Meeting - Lifepoint Church - John attended the pre-app meeting and reported on EAC concerns. EAC comments relate to lighting, the landscape plan, and the infiltration bed. The Council discussed water drainage problems along Route 22 near wetland areas.
- Stormwater Parks - Bluebird Trail: Skyline and Fairville - John and Marcel will attend the Parks & Rec Comp Plan meeting on Nov. 15. The EAC proposed that Skyline and Fairville Parks become sites for informational signs that explain stormwater runoff to the public since both parks have similar topography with sloping land and a forested wetland. Signs will be designed by Patti and Evelyn and John will research the content. Signs will be placed near the pavilions. Marcel and the EAC discussed the positions and success of various boxes on the bluebird trail at Skyline Park. Jay Smullen will add a new box to the trail.
- 2018 Projects - Landscape for Life will be held January 18 at the Rec Center. Program is presented by the Master Gardeners and the EAC is the host. An article will be in the next newsletter and info will be on the new website.  
Council members will bring ideas for other projects to the Dec. meeting.
- There is one vacancy on the Council.
- Troop 27 thanks the EAC for its \$50 donation as a sponsor of the pancake breakfast. Marcel described a growing relationship between Troop 27 and the Township and how both benefit from the interaction.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS and/or OTHER BUSINESS

#### MEETING ADJOURNED

Next Meeting – Tuesday, December 12, 2017