

**Lower Frederick Township (LFT)  
Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) Meeting Minutes**

MEETING DATE: October 28, 2019 – 7 pm

1.) CALL TO ORDER

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rachel Hendricks  
Monica Strawbridge  
Denise Finney  
Warren Jacobs  
Ruth Heil  
Gary Bonner  
Jackie O'Neil

PUBLIC PRESENT: Marla Hexter

2.) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER MEETING

- Approval moved by Rachel, seconded by Ruth; minutes approved unanimously

3.) OLD BUSINESS

Recap of September presentation

- Merits of asking township to adopt Ready for 100 resolution were discussed; group reached consensus that any presentation to supervisors should include information on:
  - Steps to begin implementation of energy conservation strategies
  - Financial benefits and costs
- We will focus on reviewing ordinances that relate not only to energy conservation, but other township priorities such as stormwater management over the next two months
- Jackie will prepare a matrix of ecosystem services and ordinances to serve as a framework for our review in November

EAC Ordinance

- Revised ordinance allows us to self-organize
  - Rachel will remain in chair position
  - Rachel moved to accept Jackie's resignation as secretary, Ruth seconded; motion approved unanimously
  - Ruth moved to accept Denise's self-nomination for secretary, Jackie seconded; motion approved unanimously
- Ruth will contact Mark regarding draft by-laws and revise as needed

Outreach

- Rachel will lead organization of stormwater presentation by the Montgomery County Conservation District (MCCD) geared toward homeowners
  - We will share information with neighboring townships and other townships in the regional planning district
  - Targeting winter (January/February) presentation

- Additional outreach approaches were discussed including participation at township/community events (i.e. a table with materials/demonstration), coordination of volunteer programs (e.g., tree planting, park clean-up); we will assess outreach strategies following stormwater presentation
- Ruth provided summary of the township's 2019 MS4 Annual Status Report
  - Report cites EAC as providing outreach
  - MS4 outreach should address impaired waterways; Perkiomen Creek is nutrient and oxygen impaired, Swamp Creek is impaired by sediment

#### 4.) NEW BUSINESS

- None

#### 5.) PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

#### UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST TO EAC MEMBERS

- Navigating your MS4 Needs: A Teamwork Approach, hosted by MCCD – Nov. 21, Skippack Township Building
- Autumn olive management at Cuddy Park, organized by Park Board – Nov. 24
- PA Land Conservation Conference, hosted by the PA Land Trust Association – April 1-3, 2020, Gettysburg PA

ADJOURNED AT 8:45 PM