

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

June 8th, 2023 MEETING MINUTES-MEETING HELD IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

Convene Meeting: 7:05 pm

Attendance: Lorna Yearwood, Mike Clime, Barb Scattergood, Jim Gill

Also attending:

Correspondence: None

Approval of Minutes: May minutes approved

Public Comment: Zoom was working. No public in attendance.

1. **Financial Report:** Need to find out from Lisa the final cost of bird books purchased for the elementary school. Need to have Rich Pursell sign off on the 2022 accounts.
2. **Bird Town:** Two signs were ordered & paid for but not received, anonymous donor will purchase two more to make a total of six signs. Joanne Mazzeo will work with the 4th grade class to make butterflies to put into the Post Office window for the summer. We have to take out the birds to give them back to the kids before the end of school year. A Richlandtown Bird Town representative is interested in our school activities. The Township website needs to be updated with the new logo. Barb attended a Bird Town meeting with participants from different states.
3. **Park & Land Preservation Board Liaison:** A meeting with Bill Brodhead, Jeff Lindtner, Frank Hollenbeck and Lorna Yearwood occurred at the Fuller Preserve. Heritage Conservancy representatives were not able to attend a previously organized weekend meeting. The future management/maintenance of the preserve and public access were discussed. PLPB will follow up with HC and Bill Brodhead.
4. **Planning Commission Liaison**
 - a. Comprehensive Plan: Following public input, several issue areas have been selected and the next phase of the process involves the committee discussing specific ideas and then using an expert provided by Michael Baker consultants to flesh out the details and possible funding sources.
5. **Hans Reimann Scholarship:** Sierra Wright was the recipient of the scholarship, she will attend Penn State University to study Environmental Engineering. EAC sent a letter of congratulations which also requested that she attends a BoS meeting before leaving for college. It was generally felt that the quantity and quality of the applicants was down. Lorna to talk to PHS about a way to promote the scholarships to increase the number and reduce the last minute applications.
6. **E-Waste Recycling:** Oct 14th 9-12noon.
7. **CCWA 50th Anniversary:** No further information.
8. **Roadside pick up:** There are several State programs for both High School and Elementary level students. The idea of the police staking out litterers was raised.
9. **Upcoming Events:**

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Council Comment:

We are under a drought watch, need to check our burning ordinance to see if it prohibits fires during dry periods.

The Supreme Court just ruled that wetlands that are not connected to a large water body are no longer considered wetlands and thus will not be protected by Federal Law. This may affect the quarry application, although State laws have not changed.

Public Comment:

Next Meeting: July13th, 2023 at 7 pm

Meeting adjourned: 8:35pm