

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (EAC)

April 9th, 2026 - MEETING MINUTES

Convene Meeting: 7:12 pm

Attendance

- EAC Members: Mike Clime, Laura Gardiner, Peyton Martocchio, Melissa Eddy (via Zoom)
- Board of Supervisors (BOS) Liaison: None
- Public: None

Correspondence

- None.

Approval of Last Month's Minutes

- Laura motions to approve March minutes and Mike seconds – All in favor.

Public Comment

- None.

Discussion Topics

1. Birdtown Updates
 - None.
2. Parks and Land Preservation Board (PLPB) Initiatives Updates
 - EAC members are planning on walking around Peppermint Park and will make note of their observations/discussion topics.
 - PLPB has a meeting on 4/13/26 that EAC members will plan to attend to discuss potential joint environmental initiatives.
3. Partnership Wild and Scenic Rivers Updates
 - Mike attended the virtual meeting on 3/26/26.
4. Palisades Middle School *Roots and Shoots Club* Updates
 - Melissa, while representing the EAC, inspected potential garden locations at the school, and discussed native plant species and what animals/insects would be attracted to these plants with the club's advisors.
 - Discussed native plant species that could be planted, what garden upkeep will involve, how the pre-existing bluebird houses could be reconstructed, and general logistics to consider.
5. 2026 Hans O Reimann Scholarship
 - \$2,000 of scholarship money will be available (\$1,000 from the EAC and \$1,000 from the BOS).
 - Applications for Palisades High School students will be open from 4/6-4/17/26.
 - The EAC will select a winner/winners no later than 4/30/26.
 - The Palisades High School senior awards ceremony will be on 5/26/26.
6. Annual Road Clean-Up Event
 - This event will take place this Saturday (4/11/26) at 11:30 am. Volunteers will meet at 11:00 am at Springfield Elementary School.
 - Discussed event logistics and signage.
7. Projects with Environmental Implications Updates

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- 8. Housekeeping
 - The following topics will be discussed at the next EAC meeting when more members are present:
 - i. Discuss potential goals for 2026
 - ii. Discuss BOS meeting updates
 - iii. SharePoint page updates
 - iv. Township website and EAC page organization
- 9. Updates/Other
 - None.

Comments/Upcoming Events

- No EAC comments.
- No BOS Liaison comment.
- No public comment.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 14th, 2026 at 7:00 pm

Meeting adjourned: 7:58 pm