# Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes May 21, 2014

A Public Meeting was held on the above date at the Salisbury Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 P.M. Committee members in attendance: Kreg Ulery, Glenn Miller, Jane Benning, Mary Ann Stinner, Commissioner Joanne Ackerman, BOC liaison, and Cynthia Sopka, Secretary to the EAC. Task Force member: Robert Agonis. Committee members not present: Sandra Thomas, Joseph Hebelka, Planning Commission Representative and Randy Soriano, Township Manager (excused).

Mr. Ulery called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Ulery announced that all sessions of the Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council regular meetings are electronically recorded as required by the By-laws and for the purpose of taking the Minutes.

## Minutes - 04/16/2014

Motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stinner, to approve the April 16, 2014 Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes as amended. All in favor.

### Report of officers and committees (including BOC, PC, Manager and /or Planning/Zoning:

Ms. Sopka highlighted the Zoning, Planning and Board of Commissioners Meetings for the month.

#### **Old Business**

Bird Town Bulletin Board is now available for public view in the lobby of the Municipal Building.

Mr. Ulery stated he printed out a map of the township for review of placement for the Bird Town signs. Locations were discussed. He will go a visit these locations and review with the EAC on the best possible locations.

#### **New Business**

#### 2014 Earth Fair Celebration project report.

The members discussed the event and the changes for 2015.

Commissioner Ackerman recommended changing the event date for next year or possibly having a different type of affair. The reason being is because the Swain School and the Lehigh County Conservation District (LCCD) had the same type of event that weekend.

Commissioner Ackerman recommended a tree event that will educate individuals on their importance, plantings and maintenance. Mr. Ulery stated that Arbor Day was that Friday before the event and to consider incorporating this into the Earth Fair Celebration would draw attention. The members concluded by having the event to focus on Arbor Day and Bird Town.

The EAC will forward a formal thank you to each representative that did a presentation at the Earth Fair Celebration event and the journalists that wrote the articles.

Ms. Sopka stated to consider a coordinating project with the School District for riparian habitat in May 2015. She stated she would speak with John Rodgers for a riparian design on the School Districts land. Working with the children would be part of the EAC community service. The children will be educated in

the difference between planting zones that creates a habitat compared to the opposite that has invasive species. This would be a learning phase for the children as well.

Ms. Sopka stated first to contact the school district, plan for the area/plot and how close it is to the water (saturated or flooding) and then determine what types of plantings to put in without affecting the water quality.

## **Additional Information**

## **Public Comments**

None

# **Agenda for Next Meeting**

Advertising Map

## **Adjournment**

On a motion Mrs. Benning, seconded by Mrs. Stinner, the EAC meeting was adjourned. All in favor.