

Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council  
October 20, 2010

**Order of Business**

**1) Call to Order**

**2) Roll Call**

|                                     | P                        | N                        |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Bruce Burchard, Chair            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Louis Cinquino                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Jane Benning                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Richard Niesenbaum               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Joseph Hebelka (PC Rep)          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Glenn Miller                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Joanne Ackerman, (BOC liaison)   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Cynthia Sopka (Secretary)        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Randy Soriano (Township Manager) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Task Force Members**

|                   |                          |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| ➤ Glenn Minnick   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ➤ Samantha Dorney | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ➤ Sandra Thomas   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**3) Notifications:**

- a. *All public sessions of the Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Committee regular meetings are electronically monitored (tape recorded) for the purpose of taking the Minutes. Public comment on agenda items will be entertained at the time the item is up for discussion; non-agenda related public comments will be entertained after the agenda*

**4) Review of minutes of previous meeting and action thereon**

- a. September 15, 2010

**5) Report of officers and committees (include BOC, PC, Manager and/or Planning/Zoning)**

- a. Zoning: Held on October 5, 2010 included Dimensional variance requested for 815 Wistar St for projection of porch with roof into front yard was granted; and Variance for signage throughout the LVHN campus at 1200 Cedar Crest Blvd were requested and granted.
- b. Planning: Held on October 12, 2010 included review of 1600 Riverside Drive for conditional use and land development of the Lehigh County Medical Detoxification Facility co-located with the existing Treatment Center/Work Release Program.
- c. The Conditional Use Hearing scheduled for October 28, 2010 at 7:00 PM with the BOC for the Medical Detoxification Facility will be rescheduled to a later date.
- d. Board of Commissioners Meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00

**6) Old Business**

- a. Communication with Abigail Pattishall regarding coordinating with our EAC to conduct educational workshops. Though we previously addressed the following: 1) trees effect on people and Lehigh County; 2) Riparian habitat restoration with focus on Trout Creek

residents and school district. Is there any EAC member that would like to focus on this project? In the event we conclude this is something to pursue, we will need to make the recommendation to the BOC for approval.

7) Status of Task Force Members

8) **New Business**

- a. The Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners formally recognized the resignation of Jim Brown from the STEAC and approved the nomination of Joann Ackerman as the Commissioner liaison.
- b. The LCCD is asking if any more interview/questionnaires had been conducted and completed. Please advise if you have any potential interviewees or if you have information from your previous interview.
- c. Comprehensive Plan updates are held prior to the Planning Commission meetings and might occur once every two months. Would a member of the EAC want to be notified of the meetings? On another note, I sent a worksheet out regarding Comprehensive Plan 1992 Major Goals. Has any member of the EAC completed this, if so please forward your information to Cindy.
- d. The BOC approved consideration of requesting participating in the LVPC Access Management technical guidance.
- e. Dr. Niesenbaum has informed me of conflicts to his schedule which prevent him from attending the EAC meetings; thus requesting formal resignation. The EAC will need to request the BOC advertise for another member to be appointed preferably from the 5<sup>th</sup> WARD.
- f. **November 16, 2010 Lehigh Valley Greenways Land Use Workshop located at the Lehigh Gap Nature Center in Slatington, PA; time from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM.** DCNR/Jacobsburg EE Center will be partnering with the Lehigh Gap Nature Center in offering teachers and participants from the general public to learn about municipal land development and land preservation processes. The group has asked me to attend as well as give a presentation regarding Salisbury Township and our NRI. Since the EAC was instrumental in requesting the NRI to our Township BOC, it is recommended that the EAC make a determination to my presentation as a representative of the Salisbury Township EAC and also decide if any member from the EAC would also like to attend the function.
- g. **Walking Purchase Park Riverside Drive Cleanup Event Scheduled for November 13, 2010 starting at 9:00 AM until possibly 12 or 1 PM.** The primary focus will be along Riverside Drive (river to the roadway); depending upon the number of volunteers there will be consideration of a group to clean up at the base of the slopes below Constitution Drive and will be managed by Norfolk Southern Railroad Personnel. We will need the following: VOLUNTEERS; distribution of flyers; contributions from businesses for food, water, etc; garbage bags (heavy duty); loan of wheel-barrows, rakes, shovels; and possibly some folding tables. We will be holding our next and final meeting on October 29, 2010 Friday at 10:00 AM.

**If you want to help please contact Cynthia Sopka 610-797-4000 ext. 231/ 484-550-8259 or Virginia Savage 610-782-3809 or 484-764-8085**

**h. Walking Purchase Park Master Plan.**

- i. Status
- ii. Request to the BOC to allow the EAC review and provide input on final document
- iii. Recommendations in support of adopting the Final Master Plan
- iv. Research for funding to implement recommendations

**6) Public Comments**

**7) Agenda for next meeting**

**8) Adjournment**

Section 2 – A motion from the floor must be made and passed in order to dispense with any item on the agenda

**INFORMATION ON OTHER EAC'S:**

- The Upper Milford/Emmaus EAC meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 7PM and also has information posted on the website of Upper Milford.
- The Allentown EAC meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month from 5:15 PM to 7:15 PM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the City offices.
- The Upper Saucon EAC meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month and starts at 6:00 PM.
- The Whitehall Township EAC meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month and starts at 7:00 PM.