# Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes February 15, 2017

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, Rodney Conn, Jane Benning, Mary Anne Stinner, Karen El Chaar (excused), Commissioner Joanne Ackerman, BOC liaison, and Cynthia Sopka, Secretary to the EAC. Task Force members Robert Agonis (excused) and Katherine Velekei.

Mr. Ulery called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Mrs. Sopka announced that all sessions of the Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council (STEAC) regular meetings are electronically recorded as required by the By-laws and for the purpose of taking the Minutes.

## **Approval of the Minutes**

On motion of Mrs. Benning, seconded by Mr. Conn, the Environmental Advisory Committee approved the January 18, 2017 meeting minutes as submitted. 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 of January 10, 2017 of a land development plan of Scott Volvo to increase a former showroom and add a service bay addition. A sketch plan was provided along East Lynnwood, South Albert Street and Cypress Ave. The sketch plan proposed the development of 10 acres to place 77 Townhouses. There was a lot of opposition to the proposed land development. The Zoning Hearing Board had no appeals.

The Board of Commissioners meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

#### **Old Business**

Cynthia indicated that the final report on the Stormwater detention basin was submitted to PADEP. No word on the status but hoping for a good result. The STEAC in conjunction with the Friends of Allentown Parks partnered on a grant from Pennsylvania DEP regarding **2017 Environmental Education Grant**. The traditional mini-grant of up to \$3,000.00 will be available and would not require a match. The intent of the grant is to acquire the Enviroscape and supportive carrying case as it pertains to Stormwater impacts. The grant has been submitted. Awarded projects may begin on or after July 1, 2017.

#### **New Business**

The EAC will continue to have the opportunity for the public to discuss **storm water issues** (**MS4**). Please contact Mr. Nicolo, MS4 Coordinator, with any questions or concerns at 610-797-4000.

There was discussion on the Walking Purchase Park clean up that is scheduled for April 30, 2017.

The issue of **illegal dumping** was discussed at the last meeting and finalization is to be completed and signed. The submission of the document will be entitled "Recommendations to Curb Illegal Dumping". Ms. Sopka inquired if the EAC is ready to present the signed document to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Ulery stated that he would like to give the presentation in 2017. He stated he has a 6 page slide and details on why illegal dumping needs to be addressed.

Ms. Sopka stated that she was and continues to work on the 2016 EAC Annual Report.

### **Announcements - None**

# **Adjournment**

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