ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA

February 8, 2024

7:00 pm

EAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Zoe Warner, PhD, Chair Eric Beauregard Helise Bichefsky-Reilly, DO Tiffany Brouillet Joanne Zhou Christine Hafer, alternate (Zoom) EAC MEMBERS ABSENT Cecelia Oswald, EdD

CALL TO ORDER

Zoe Warner called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Helise Bichefsky-Reilly, seconded by Tiffany Brouillet and carried a vote of 6-0 to approve the minutes from the January 11, 2024 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Clearances for events where children are present. Please ensure if you plan to volunteer to work at events, that you submit your Clearances to Borough Administration.
- 2. EAC Open Position

Borough Administration will advertise the open position in the next newsletter as well as sending out a Constant Contact.

3. Youth Advocate

Borough Administration will advertise the open position in the next newsletter as well as sending out a Constant Contact.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Invasive removal event

The event will take place on February 24th, from 9-11am and was sent to CRC volunteers and CVLL will be contacted as well to help out.

2. Plastic Bag Ordinance

Cecelia Oswald will be following up on this and was absent from this meeting.

3. Community Composting Pilot Program review

Tiffany Brouillet will be reaching out to Colleen at Back to Earth Composting to see how we can go about continuing the program with just bucket pickups at the Farmers Market.

4. Meadow sign for Paoli Battlefield

Helise Bichefsky-Reilly will looking into locations, verbiage, permission, and placement.

5. Sustainable PA initiative

Nothing to report

6. Cabin Fever – EAC Activity

Christine Hafer has the bird seed to use as a giveaway. The Bird Town Committee will be handing out Seed Bombs, and they will also use origami paper to use as a cup for the seeds to be placed in. Tiffany Brouillet has plants to giveaway as well. All items will be dropped off to Borough Administration before the event.

7. Mayors Monarch Pledge- Borough Hall garden extension

Have not made much progress on this, but is working on this with Bird Town as well.

8. Bird Town activity

The Committee submitted their annual report. They were thinking of having a photo contest through Great Valley High School for the Malvern area. Corinne Badman will check on legalities of the students using an Instagram account on behalf of the Borough. Will also have a gift cards as a prize sat the end of the contest.

A motion was made by Tiffany Brouillet, seconded by Helise Bichefsky-Reilly, and passed by a vote of 6-0, to purchase gift cards for the photo contest, not to exceed \$100.00.

9. Spring Newsletter Article – one year as a Bird Town, other ideas?

Goes out the end of April.

10. EAC web page and social media posts

Cheryl Tomlinson will work on generating social media traffic for Bird Town. The EAC needs to look for interesting tidbits to share. Will start to advertise for No Mow May. Possibly getting yard signs for those who sign up and want to advertise.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1. Invasive removal event in Borough parks with partnership with CRC February 24, 2024. Event will run rain or shine on February 24, 2024.
- 2. CRC Streams Cleanup March 16, 2024- The Borough made a \$500.00 donation on behalf of the EAC.
- 3. Cabin Fever– Sunday, March 2, 2024 from 1-4pm event. Volunteers should arrive early to set up and stay late to cleanup. Christine Hafer offered to come and help set up, but unsure if she could stay for the event. Eric Beauregard will also help out. Helise Bichefsky-Reilly will attend the event, but will participate on behalf of Parks & Rec. Event will also feature a seed bomb activity from Bird Town group, a birdseed giveaway, and a paper origami seed packets activity with a seed giveaway and/or an indoor plant exchange.
- 4. Burke Park Planting April 2024 Ensure we get a clipboard for those who come to events and want to sign up for a mailing list for future events.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Buckley- Church St- commented on composting.

Joe Ranaudo- King St- commented on the information given at the meeting and was pleased at how much the EAC is doing.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Tiffany Brouillet, seconded by Joanne Zhou, and carried a vote of 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m.