RADNOR TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

The July meeting of the Radnor Township Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) was called to Order by Chairperson Josh Hilbert at 6:00 P.M. on July 25, 2013, at the Radnor Township Municipal Building, Radnorshire Room, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, Pennsylvania.

Those present were: Josh Hilbert, Chairperson

Sloan Walker, Vice Chairperson

Sally Mattison Anne Poulin

Skip Kunda, Planning Commission Representative

Those not present were: Stephen Elliot

Robin Mann Daniel Meier

Luke Clark, Parks and Recreation Representative

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF JUNE 2013 MINUTES

On motion made and seconded, the minutes of the June 27, 2013, EAC meeting were unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Mattison reported that videos of about 24 sessions from the PA/NJ Sustainability Symposium held in March are now available on the website of the Delaware Valley Green Building Council, http://www.dvgbc.org/.

WORKGROUP REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

A. Radnor Green Team

Mr. Hilbert will present to the Board of Commissioners later this summer to update the BOC on progress on the Greenhouse Gas Action Plan. The work of the Green Team is designed to move forward on the plan. EAC members reported on the status of the Green Team workgroup projects:

- Streetlights and traffic signals: The streetlight 2-year maintenance contract runs will be up at the end of 2013. Unfortunately, the RFP for the new contract must be issued before the work group can complete its due diligence on using new more energy-efficient technology. It may be possible to seek only a one-year contract so the group can assess possible solutions before tying the Township into another 2-year contract. The RFP may include a small LED demo project.
- Green power: The group is trying to develop an RFP for seek competitive bids that will include at least some green energy.

- Building lighting and recommissioning: The group is starting its work by seeking a contractor to assess improvements at the Public Works Building, which is one of the Township's largest energy accounts. Further steps may target other buildings.
- Green vehicle fleet: The Township was not able to identify a partner with which to apply for a state grant to purchase light duty vehicles. They will explore the possibile purchase of a new or used light duty vehicle to meet the Township's need. They are exploring options for the purchase of heavy duty vehicles, which represent a much larger part of the Township's energy consumption.
- Green procurement: The draft policy will be reviewed by the Township Solicitor and then presented to the BOC for approval.
 - B. Open Space

Ms. Poulin reported that the Township has selected one of the three consultants that responded to the RFP. The consultant's material has been submitted to DCNR for their approval.

C. Audubon Bird Town

Ms. Poulin reported that Bird Town is teaming with the Library to sponsor a bird–related program, possibly on passenger pigeons, this fall. In addition, a course on birds will be offered for the Chanticleer staff in their off season.

LIAISON REPORTS

A. Planning Commission

Mr. Kunda reported that he was not able to attend the last meeting. The Commission voted to approve the pan for Villa Strafford, which calls for tearing down the building and replacing it with residential units.

B. Board of Health

No report.

C. Parks and Recreation

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Hilbert reported that he attended a Parks and Recreation Board meeting to discuss a Sustainable Parks Policy. The members of the Parks and Recreation Board suggested adopting a mission statement rather than a policy, to address the wide range of properties owned by the Township. Discussion followed.

Mr. Walker reported that he obtained the name of the company that handles the items dropped at the Tredyffrin Township Building for recycling. The program generates very little income.

Mr. Hilbert reported that a Goose Group has been formed, comprising Mr. Elliot, Mr. Meier, and Mr. Hilbert. Members of the group visited local areas affected by the goose population and observed some environmental impact. Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion made and seconded, the meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Poulin