

**EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2016**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathy Bergmann
Tom Duncan
Mark Pontzer
Maura Sheehan
Dave Williams

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Brooke Davis, Jeff Cantwell and Neil Weisman (Alternate)

STAFF MEMBERS/SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Mike Lynch, Township Manager, John Snook, Supervisor and Tenley Adams, Property & Recreation Assistant/Recycling Coordinator

RESIDENTS PRESENT: None

OTHER ATTENDEES: Erin Blosenski, Shelby Barkley and Jim Clark representing A. J. Blosenski Inc., trash & recycling haulers for East Bradford Township

CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:05 p.m. the EAC meeting was called to order.

MINUTES: Maura Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 22, 2016 regular meeting. Mark Pontzer seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

TRASH & RECYCLING CONTRACT: Representatives of A. J. Blosenski Inc., the trash & recycling hauler for the township were in attendance to discuss the current contract and possible new additions to the contract for the upcoming bid cycle in 2017. Mr. Clark explained that currently the recycling market is very flat and some locations are charging to take recycling. One possibility for the next contract would be to go back to dual stream where the paper and cardboard is collected separately from the other recyclables, as paper and cardboard are still very marketable. It was suggested that messages can be placed on the quarterly billing that is done by the hauler, to remind/educate residents about the requirement to recycle. It was also suggested that a waste audit be conducted to see what is actually being thrown away vs recycled. The roadside litter collection group could be used to help with the audit during the winter months. The EAC would also like to see yard waste be collected on a monthly or bi-weekly basis in the new contract. All of the above suggestions could be placed in the bid documents as options and decided after bids are received.

NEW MEMBER

Kathy Bergmann welcomed Tom Duncan to the EAC as a new member. Tom was appointed by the Board of Supervisors to fill an unexpired term until 12/31/2018.

EMERALD ASH BORER:

Kathy Bergmann reported that no money will be requested for the 2017 budget since it is not anticipated that any tree removal or treatments will be done in 2017. The survey will continue and Kathy will have Kendra McMillian compete the north section of the Brandywine Trail in the iTree program and have her provide maps and spreadsheets using survey data. The survey of the remaining parks and priority roads will be done using a spreadsheet because of glitches found using the iTree program and the fact that the program does not easily capture some of the information.

2017 BUDGET

Kathy Bergmann is requesting \$750 for tree maintenance supplies.

DEVELOPMENT:

SD#632- Toll Brothers: The Board of Supervisors has closed the conditional use hearing and is now preparing the decision and order which is expected in November.

BVAC: Hunting season started on September 17th and two deer have been harvested. The warm weather has not been ideal for the hunters.

NEXT EAC MEETING: The next meeting of the EAC will be Monday, October 24, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT: Dave Williams made a motion to adjourn and Mark Pontzer seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Kathy Bergmann
EAC Chairperson**

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