

**EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP
GREEN COMMITTEE
MEETING – September 23, 2014**

The regular meeting of the East Bradford Township Green Committee was held on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 in the East Bradford Township Administration Building, 666 Copeland School Road, West Chester, PA 19380.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Neil Weissman
John Hagens
Mark Pontzer

STAFF / SUPERVISORS PRESENT:

Mark Lucas, Township Engineer
John Snook, Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Neil Weissman.

AGENDA:

1. Acceptance of minutes from the August 26th meeting were proposed by Neil Weissman and seconded by John Hagens.
2. The tree planting on November 1st is cancelled. Trees are not available from the Brandywine Conservancy.
3. We discussed looking at the Stewardship plan and reviewed a “to do” list created by Township personnel. This way the Green Committee could determine what it can accomplish.
 - a. Specifically, we discussed Shaw’s Bridge Park. The small dead trees need to be removed and their tree tubes recovered. This way a replanting plan can then be created and acted upon.
 - b. Additionally we discussed the Mount Bradford Preserve area. It is in need of trash clean up. Mark Pontzer discussed the ability to schedule two dens of Cub Scouts to help clean up that area. He will contact Township personnel and finalize plans. The anticipated date is November 12, 2014.
4. The October 5, 2014 tree repair date is still on the schedule. Neil Weissman will contact the other committee chairs and request assistance. The time is 9am, and the location is Shaw’s Bridge Park.
5. A non-agenda discussion was held related to volunteer roles in the Township. As we looked at roles, there are similarities between the Green Committee and the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC). Thus, there may be consideration given to merging the Green Committee with the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC). As an idea at this point, the EAC would need to provide input, and regulations would need to be consulted. The Board of Supervisors will need to discuss the pros and cons of this proposal as well. Then, the decision can be made to pursue this merger or remain as two standing committees.
6. The committee discussed the Brandywine Creek Greenway – Draft Strategic Plan. The three issues of note discussed were the educational goals, the amount of trails going through the proposed land, and the short- and long-term maintenance costs potentially associated with the proposed actions.

7. John Hagens announced his intentions to retire. We thank John for his many years of selfless service to the township, and we wish him luck in his future endeavors.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the committee will be on October 28, 2014 at 6pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM on a motion made by Neil Weissman, and seconded by John Hagens.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Pontzer
Acting Secretary