

Abington Township

Environmental Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes for July 12, 2017

Call to Order: 7:30 pm In attendance: Jennifer Sherwood, John Sorrentino, Michele Kaczalek, Karin McGarry-Rosen, Andrea Soo, Cakky Evans and Neal Gale. Guest, Dawn Daniels

Minutes: The minutes were accepted.

Chairperson's Report: The report was accepted.

Treasurer's Report: The report was accepted.

Committee Reports:

Policy: No Report.

Neal summarized the meeting of the 2017 Bucks Mont EAC Summit he and Andrea attended on June 27, 2017. Andrea spoke to attendees regarding Abington's participation in the STAR program.

Cakky felt there is a possibility of having an Intern in the fall.

Programs: The report was accepted.

Engagement: The report was accepted as modified.

Current Business: Sustainable Abington/STAR Communities Program – Sue mentioned there is a “Partners for Place” grant available which would pay for creating a Sustainability Plan. Must be applied for by the end of the month. A Sustainability Director is a prerequisite.

Rain Barrel the Town (RBTT) project: Volunteers are needed to build rainbarrels and also to pick up barrels from I Rice. Work day TBD.

Abington Township Montgomery Award: Set up will be at 7:00 in the first floor Conference Room. Assignments were reviewed and finalized.

Upcoming Events – There will be an open house at “Lions Gate” Penn Dormitory

on July 19th from 5PM to 9PM. EAC should attend and wear EAC tee shirts.

Pre-Night Out Planning: Assignments were reviewed and finalized.

New Business

Bicycle Coalition: The EAC will request that the Township should support The Circuit Trails. Project to be completed by 2025. Sue will ask Steve Kline to champion project.

Natural Lands – EAC will apply for the Growing Greener Communities Award. Jenn, Sue and Cakky will work on it.

Sue gave a summary of her meeting with the STC re the Ardsley Wildlife project and reviewed the proposed pedestrian walk ways.

Neal indicated he would like to continue his talks with Dennis Rowan. It was recommended that he talk with George Wrigley re following up with Dennis and his interest in attending an EAC meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 pm

Next Meeting – August 9, 2017