



# Environmental Advisory Council

## Meeting Agenda

April 14, 2022

**Call to Order (Time: 6:00 PM)**

**Minutes (approval) – March 10, 2022**

**Visitors:**

- Tyler Barnes - PA Game Commission to discuss Hunter Access Program
- Blaise Hunt – to present Eagle Scout Project idea
- Ben Steadman (399 Old Allentown Road) asking for relief from installing stormwater management structures on property

**Attendance:**

	Jason Smith		
	Joe Esordi		
	Robert Neitz		Kerry Reider
	Robert Stanke		Belinda Roberts
	Raymond Baratta		

**Treasurer's Report**

- ⌘ EAC Budget 2022 (As of March 31, 2022)
  - EAC Budget – \$14,000
  - Open Space Account Balance – \$2,027,211.59

**Old Business**

- ⌘ Planning Commission Reviews
- ⌘ Open Space
  - Property Signage – Need to install on Shaffer
  - Website
    - Being updated by NA Studios – Temporarily on hold. KR has to send NA Studios necessary changes
  - Develop Properties for Public Use – Need to develop plans
    - Mineo Parcel – Need trail to access Bushkill Creek for fishing
    - Bickert Parcel (along Township Trail) – Proposed single track walking trail with linkage to Bushkill Township Trail to access Sobers Run
    - Mertz Parcel – Proposed trails with linkage to Township rec complex trails
  - Develop Management Plans for Parks and Trail
- ⌘ Old Projects (still active/on hold):
  - Bushkill Watershed – Watershed Boundary Signs – Install along Twp Roads – signs stored at Public Works Department
  - Lehigh Valley Greenway Projects – RN – update
  - Englers Run – Official Naming
  - Policy on Alternative Energy Uses on Easements
  - Well Construction Standards – DC
  - Erhardt Plaque at Township Trailhead
- ⌘ Current Projects:
  - Lou and Donnie started work Monday
  - Ballas Preserve
    - Chase Stokes from Ridge Runners Farm and Sobers Run Sawmill mowed the meadows Tuesday April 12
  - Albert Ponds
  - Highlands Preserve
    - Need to develop a plan for improvements for public use as passive recreation
    - Develop Rules and Regulations
    - KR is working with Township Engineer on Site Development Plan
      - Tentative schedule for plan and construction activities
    - KR will reach out to local farmers about planting and cutting fields.
    - Management Plan
  - Heintzelman Preserve
  - Bushkill Township Trail
  - Beltz Property (Knauss Rd.)
  - Wind Gap Business Center – Status update – KR
    - Sobers Run Bridge
    - Smaller footbridges
  - Bridge Warehouse – Status update - KR
  - Eagle Scout Projects – KR

- ⌘ St. Luke's Trail Project – Status update – KR
- ⌘ MS4 Program
- ⌘ Bridge Group Warehouse Project
  - Status of construction activities – Request to use alternative native species - JES
- ⌘ Biosolids prohibition
  - Conservation Easements – old
    - KR will reach out to Easement holders to explain the Biosolid amendment with a small write-up on Biosolids. Will start with someone that we are more familiar with.
      - Status

**New Business**

- ⌘ Fehr Property on Bushkill Center Rd and Rose Inn Ave was sold to the high bidder for \$376,951.00
- ⌘ Easton LVPC Warehouse Petition asking for model ordinance minimizing negative impacts of new warehouse development
- ⌘ Component 3 Planning Module Review for 160 E Moorestown Rd.
- ⌘ Bushkill Township had settlement on OS-58A on Monday April 11, 2022
- ⌘ Supervisor's Meeting Report
  - Heintzelman Barn Roof Bid awarded to Vishnesky & Sons for \$16,400
  - Two Rivers Trail Agreement was signed between Bushkill Township and Northampton County
- ⌘ Upcoming events for EAC participation
  - Rain Barrels
  - Clean-Up Day Friday May 20 and Saturday May 21
  - Earth Day
- ⌘ Training & Conference Announcements
- ⌘ Planning Commission Reviews

**Executive Session – EAC members only**

- ⌘ Open Space
  - Matrix – review and update – See matrix for applicable comments/actions
  - Properties – (see Executive Session Agenda) – See property list for applicable comments/actions.

**Adjournment (Time: \_\_: \_\_PM)**

**Action Items for next Planning Commission Meeting:**

**Action Items for next Supervisors Meeting:**