

EAST MARLBOROUGH TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

Meeting: June 17, 2020

Call to Order: 8 a.m. start. Meeting held via online video conference. Four of four EAC members present*: Andy Jenkins, Josh Farkas, Robert Daniels, and Cuyler Walker. Board of Supervisors present: Eric Matuszak and Burl Vannote. Township Manager present: Neil Lovekin. Guests: None.

*: Burl Vannote was recently appointed to the Township Board of Supervisors and is no longer on the EAC. In today's meeting, President Farkas indicated that a seat on the EAC is open.

Approval of meeting minutes: Minutes of May 20, 2020 meeting approved by vote.

Topic: An Earth Disturbance Inspection Report was issued for a property located on the southern side of Poplar Tree Road near the intersection with Mill Road. The inspection was conducted on May 19, 2020 by the by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP), and the report was sent to the land owner with a copy to the Township. Violations of Pennsylvania Code related to earth disturbance and impact to creek were cited. The inspection appeared to be limited to an approximate 0.89-acre area near Poplar Tree Road. However, various EAC members noted that similar disturbance is present on the same property further downstream along Mill Road.

Motion made to recommend to the Township Manager that the PADEP be contacted to seek more information. The EAC approved the motion by vote of 3-0. Council member Cuyler Walker did not participate in the discussion and also abstained from voting.

Topic: The Revolving Water Fund (RWF) submitted a contract template to the Township to participate in a "Pilot Pay-for-Success Transaction." The RWF program is designed to help municipalities meet municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) regulatory obligations as described during a presentation by the RWF at the EAC meeting held December 18, 2019. The EAC intends to review the document.

The EAC recommends to the Township Manager that the contract template be submitted to the Township Solicitor for review.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 a.m.

Next meeting: The EAC meets on the third Wednesday of each month from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The next meeting will be on July 15, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Jenkins, Secretary