

Environmental Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, January 6, 2026

Present:

Deb Noone – Chair

JP Johnson – Vice Chair

Andrea Glang - Member

Lurleen Worthington – Member

Kathleen Davis – Representative from New Britain Township EAC

Township Supervisors Present – Ken Lichtenstein and Greg Bankos

1. Call to Order
2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Announcements – Deb Noone announced that Andy Thomas is stepping down as a member. He will remain an associate member and Deb thanked him for his long-standing service to the Plumstead Township EAC.
4. Public Comment – Katie Mergner presented information, along with handouts, on the dangers of data centers coming to Plumstead Township. Katie shared that the increased water demands and disruptive noise created by these centers would be disastrous to our Township. She highly encouraged the Township to design ordinances to regulate noise and to limit the placement of a data center in Plumstead Township. Deb Noone reminded the EAC of the January 22nd Planning Commission Meeting to discuss the Comp Plan. At this meeting the EAC should bring data centers to the attention of the Planning Commission.
5. Approval of December 2025 minutes: Motion made by JP Johnson to accept. Motion seconded by Andrea Glang. No public comment. Motion carried.
6. Old Business:
 - a. Township Tree Ordinance – Andrea Glang and Rob Kopf have reviewed and updated the ordinance. Deb Noone agreed to format it, create a cover letter and submit it to the BOS for approval.
 - b. Spring Plans
 - Bucks County Conservation, Neshaminy and Tohickon Watershed representatives to give presentation around the end of March.
 - Bat Boxes – Duane Freed is checking on the poles and their size. Rob Kopf is designing the bat boxes. Loyd Bush volunteered to provide the poles.
 - Park Bench Project – Duane Freed is putting together a plan. Deb Noone has made him aware of the EAC’s desire to work on it with him. Loyd Bush generously volunteered to provide granite benches at his cost of \$900.

- Tinicum Conservancy Open House – Deb Noone attended and spoke with a woman who used to run their EAC and who is willing to help us with projects/presentations.
 - Andrea Glang reported that the Eagle Scout who is planting a native plant garden plans to attend our February meeting.
 - Seed Workshop – Deb Noone and Andrea Glang are working on getting a date and location for February.
 - Tree Planting and Road Clean up – Deb Noone will confirm date and time with Duane Freed and the arborist.
 - Updated EAC ordinance – EAC is reviewing for comprehensiveness.
 - Planning Commission and Land Preservation Committee Meetings – Deb Noone encouraged EAC members to attend these meetings on a rotating basis.
7. New Business: Planning for 2026 Projects
- a. Pollinator Gardens – Kathleen Davis shared New Britain’s EAC native plant presentation and project. The presentation was a huge success by advertising with many local organizations, FB, the Township website and email. The project is off to a good start on an approximately 16x20 plot of land in North Branch Park. Bowman Hill Wildflower Preserve offers a grant of a 100 plants.
 - b. Advertising of EAC events at Hanusey Park – Deb Noone will ask Duane Freed about signage at the park with information on upcoming events.
 - c. Spring Newsletter – Andrea Glang agreed to submit the article from the EAC.
 - d. Tohickon Watershed – Deb Noone reported on the salinity testing to take place on January 30th. Anyone is welcome to collect a water sample on that date.
 - e. Point Pleasant Pipeline – Deb Noone reported that she heard of plans to put in a second pipeline to pump through twice as much water into the North Branch of the Neshminay. No details yet, but we should keep an eye on it.
 - f. Reorganization – JP Johnson made a motion to continue with the same board members, with Deb Noone as Chairperson, JP Johnson as Vice Chairperson and Lurleen Worthington as Secretary. Andrea Glang seconded the motion. No public comment. Motion carried.
8. Public Comment – Loyd Bush stated that CMH modular homes has a scheduled zoning hearing board meeting on January 21. They are requesting waivers with regards to the wetlands and riparian buffer on the property.
9. Adjournment – Deb Noone made a motion to adjourn. Andrea Glang seconded the motion. No public comment. Motion carried.
10. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 7PM.