## Environmental Advisory Council Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Present:

Deb Noone, Chair JP Johnson, Vice Chair Andrea Glang, Associate Member Alison Kingsley, Member Andy Thomas, Member Lurleen Worthington, Member

Township Supervisors Present: Ken Lichtenstein and Jim McComb

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Announcements: None
- 4. Public Comment: None
- 5. Approval of March 2025 minutes: Motion made by Alison Kingsley to accept. Motion seconded by Lurleen Worthington.
- 6. Old Business
  - a. April 2<sup>nd</sup> Deb Noone, Lurleen Worthington, and Andrea Glang have tickets for the DelVal University/Bucks County Foodshed Alliance event titled "A Nature's Best Hope". The event is sold out.
  - b. April 12 Deb Noone, Lurleen Worthington, and JP Johnson will be present at the township Easter Egg Hunt to hand out reusable bags.
  - c. April 26 Earth Day road cleanup scheduled at Gordon Road, 9 am. Deb Noone will confirm with Rob Kopf pick up of supplies from Public Works.
  - d. Arbor Day Tree Planting Originally scheduled for April 26 has been changed to May 10<sup>th</sup> to accommodate arborist, Herb Hickmott's, schedule. Event to be held along the new trail system in Country Greene neighborhood. There are 15 potted trees/shrubs to plant.

## 7. New Business:

- a. EAC is invited to attend the April 23, 2025, Township Supervisor work session to present the committee's mission, responsibilities, recent accomplishments, and future goals. Deb Noone will present and encouraged the committee members to attend.
- b. Township Summer Newsletter: Andrea Glang volunteered to write the article with a spotlight on native plants and an emphasis on inviting township residents to come to our monthly meetings.
- c. Future Projects: Guest speaker, Dr. Les Ishbrandt, presented the Aquetong Watershed Association. For startup, he recommended contacting the Bucks County Conservation District. Other resources he suggested include, Stroud Water Research Center, PA Horticulture Society, Penn State Extension Master Watershed Program, the Paunacussing Watershed, and the DEP. He highly recommends getting the

community involved with educational presentations, seek out young people interest through the Scouts or high school environmental Clubs. During the initial stages and ongoing they found that grants are readily available. He shared how their association is not associated with the township and the township EAC serves as an advisory group only. They receive their funding from grants, membership fees and donations. Dr. Ishbrandt invited us to visit their website aquetongwatershed.org.

Deb Noone thanked Dr. Ishbrandt for his informative presentation. Follow up steps: Alison Kingsley suggested inviting Bucks County Conservation District to attend a committee meeting and to plan an event for families to come and hear about watershed project involvement; JP Johnson suggested reaching out to neighboring EACs to see what they are doing; Andy Thomas will check on documentation remaining from the North Branch Watershed Association.

8. Adjournment. Motion made by JP Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Alison Kingsley. Next meeting, Tuesday, May 6, 2025