



**EAC Meeting Minutes  
4/6/23 – APPROVED**

**Call to Order**

The April meeting of the EAC was held on 4/6/23 at 7:06 p.m.

**Attendance**

Those committee members in attendance were:

Donna Delany  
Carys Egan  
Sarah Taylor  
Rachel McKay  
Elisabetta Sheehan  
Wayne Piaskowski

Those committee members not in attendance:

Kathy McDevitt

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

MOTION by Donna to approve the 3/2/23 meeting minutes; second by Sarah. All in favor 6, all opposed 0. The motion carries unanimously.

**New Business-**

Manager's Report- none

Subdivisions/Variance Applications-

Lipton Variance Request - Plan is to put a driveway through a wet area. The engineer should prepare a letter before the 4/26/23 hearing. The house and barn are historic. We should give the planning commission a statement of our concern about the driveway.

**Statement:** We hope the design of the new driveway is engineered to protect the wetland to the greatest extent possible. We suggest planting native wetland plants to help with stormwater management. The EAC is happy to help make suggestions for plant selection.

MOTION by Donna to send the above statement to John Ganger who will send it to the planning commission; second by Donna. All in favor 6, all opposed 0. The motion carries unanimously.

Newsletter Articles-

Elisabetta wrote an article about Bird Town and Donna will add to it. We have Gold status!!!!

Healthy Yard Recognition Program- under construction

Garden Club- none

Nature Club- Vine removal was a success at Weatherstone. Earth Day April 22 would be great to have another one.

MOTION by Donna to have a vine removal on April 22 with April 23 as a rain date for Weatherstone as a new event, Rachel seconds. All in favor 6, all opposed 0. The motion carries unanimously.



MOTION by Donna to plant a swamp white oak in the wetland area at the corner of St. Matthews and Rt. 401 in front of the township building in honor of Vic planting many native plants in the West Vincent Township, Carys seconds. All in favor 6, all opposed 0. The motion carries unanimously.

Max McCormick is available for a tree identification walk. Sept 9 is a good date to have them come, although we prefer later in the fall.

MOTION by Carys to ask Max McCormick to lead a tree ID to walk on Sept 9 or later: Elisabetta seconds. All in favor 6, all opposed 0. The motion carries unanimously.

Beth Miller asked for a site visit about land owned by the township behind her property. She reports that there are many invasive plants. She will help to maintain it if we help her get started. EAC needs to go evaluate the property. Donna and Sarah volunteered to evaluate the property April 10 at 6:30pm.

MOTION by Donna to meet Beth Miller at her house at 6:30 pm on April 10 to evaluate land and mediation; seconded by Sarah. All in favor 6, all opposed 0. The motion carries unanimously.

New pollinator pitstops were proposed and will probably move forward.

DCNR Lawns to Meadows/Woods program is under consideration. Dana and Sara met with a representative and will move forward.

Bird Town Bird Walk- April 16th at 8 am is the guided walk. Plants for Birds Audubon was closed after 40 people applied. They are giving out plants from the township building. The Kestrel box was installed and is occupied! Vic is donating bluebird boxes and the community garden would be a place to put one.

Stormwater- none

Litter Lifter Update – **can someone fill in?**

PA Natural Heritage Area Talk-

Jeffrey Wagner will present on the designation of multiple West Vincent areas as Natural Heritage Areas. He is available to speak on April 26 or 27. It would be better to have 3 month lead time. We could use a Monday night set aside for a Supervisor workshop. Donna will reach out. August looks good!

Heritage Tree - none

Clean Energy Transition Team: work continues

**Future Dates-**

- Birdwalk, April 16, 8am Opalanie
- Earth Day April 22
- Community Day Oct. 21
- PA EAC Conference Oct. 21

Updates from Sub-Committees-

Board of Supervisors- Chester County wants to do a sustainability summit. May be hosted at Camphill.

Phoenixville Regional Planning Committee- none

Sustainability Committee- none



Parks and Recreation Commission- none

Planning Commission- none

Open Space Advisory Board- Donna reports that Chester County is helping our township identify land that would be of highest importance to preserve for the future sustainability of the community

Historical Commission- none

There being no additional business or questions, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Sarah Taylor

