

**EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP  
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL  
June 27, 2022 Minutes**

The East Bradford Township Environmental Advisory Council convened on Monday, June 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the township building, 676 Copeland School Road, West Chester, PA 19380. The agenda was posted on the front door of the township building and on the Township website at <https://www.eastbradford.org> as required by the Sunshine Law.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kathy Bergmann  
Brooke Davis  
Paul Lucot  
Paul Lewis  
Rhona Klein (by phone)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mark Lucas

**MEMBERS/STAFF NOT PRESENT:** Ed McConnell, Maura Sheehan, John Snook

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** None

**CALL TO ORDER:** At 7:04 pm, the EAC meeting was called to order by Brooke Davis

**MINUTES**

Kathy Bergmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 25, 2022, regular meeting. Paul Lewis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. No meetings in May 2022.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN –**

Kathy Bergmann inquired about Chester County's Stormwater Ordinance and what changes would be needed in our ordinances once it was adopted. Mark Lucas indicated that most parts were very general. The municipalities did reject the County's recommendation to inspect all stormwater facilities after every 25-year storm event. The municipalities felt that it was too burdensome with the frequency of these events. Municipalities also wanted to keep the 1000 sq.ft. increase in impervious cover as the trigger for requiring stormwater controls.

Paul Lewis inquired about the plans for a sidewalk along Bradford Ave. There was a concept plan done years ago. With the completion of West Chester Crossing sections of the sidewalk will be completed. The County's Complete Street plan recommends sidewalks, green spaces, crosswalks, and bike lanes, but these things can only be implemented along borough streets and not along our rural roads. Mark will send the Complete Streets link to EAC members.

**DEVELOPMENT REVIEWS AND UPDATES**

SD# 632- Darlington Ridge- Mark met with residents of Darlington Ridge about their concerns of the development not being addressed by Toll (non-functioning stormwater basins and eroding trails). Mandie helped facilitate the meeting. Mark will review the plans and recommend corrective action to keep them functioning as stormwater basins once they are converted from sediment control to stormwater management basins. There will be a 1-year transition period before control is turned over to the HOA. Mark noted that sections of the trail are eroding and should be monitored and repaired by Toll before the transition.

SD# 641- West Chester Crossings- Construction continues

SD# 654- Schmidt- 815 Guthrie Rd.

Kathy Bergmann inquired how the removal of the swimming pool and roadway would be done to ensure that those areas would infiltrate stormwater. Mark indicated that there were provisions for that in the ordinances, but since this was considered redevelopment different regulations apply. Mark anticipates that there will be many similar subdivisions in the future with the lack of buildable land in the Township.

**TRASH TALKING/ SINGLE USE PLASTICS** – The Supervisors discussed our ordinance, and they are following the implementation of similar ordinances in Easttown, West Chester Borough, and West Goshen to gauge acceptance and determine if there are any problems.

**ENERGY- no updates**

**CLIMATE CHANGE**

Kathy Bergmann inquired about including climate change risk assessment for infrastructure in the update of the Township’s emergency management plan. If the plan is updated highlighting the at-risk infrastructure it may reduce our reaction time and cost of repairs.

Paul Lucot continues to help with the cleanup at Brandywine Picnic Park. Brandywine Picnic Park has been purchased by Muhley Schorn III LLC and they plan on cleaning up the sight and naturalizing it. Mandie will send a compliance letter to the new owner regarding the cleanup and removal of hazardous materials.

**INVASIVE SPECIES & VECTORS**

Deer Management – with the increase in park use fewer parks are open for hunting. This year the club is taking fewer hunters and assigning them to the most huntable properties. For deer management the Board needs to consider other options like contraceptives or closure of larger parks temporarily and opening them for shotgun hunting later in the season. Rhona will send Mark the information on a group in Media that specializes in wildlife contraceptives.

Spotted Lanternfly- Nymphs have been sighted and taping trees can trap them.

Emerald Ash Borer- no updates

**REVIEW OF ABC MINUTES**

- Board of Supervisor- Maura Sheehan
- Planning Commission- Paul Lewis
- Trails- Rhona Klein
- Historical Commission- Brooke Davis
- Parks and Rec- Paul Lucot
- Traffic Commission- Kathy Bergmann

**ROUNDTABLE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS-**

Brooke will add review of the Trash Contract to the Agenda. A large increase in the rate is anticipated with the increases in gas, labor and tipping fees. The EAC will work with Tenley.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE EAC:** No work session because of July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. Our next regular meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2022.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Kathy made a motion to adjourn, and Paul Lewis seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Davis