

DURHAM TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

February 20, 2024; 7PM

Durham EAC Meeting Minutes

FINAL

DURHAM TOWNSHIP MEETING ROOM

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/qae-otvt-qfo>

1. Call to Order 7: 02 PM
 - a. Present: Blake, Lois, Arlene, Sarah, David, Jeff K (left at 8:30), Stephen
 - b. Absent: Carl
 - c. Quorum: Yes
2. Approval of the November 2023 EAC Meeting Minutes. Motion: DJ 2nd: LO
Vote: 7 - 0
3. Committee Reports:
 - a. Arlene
 - Outreach and Publicity
 - Will advertise Rt 611 clean-up
 - Proposal to institute monthly or quarterly hikes - Blake will explore further and advise BOS if pursued
 - b. Lois
 - Tree Measuring - on hold, for now.
 - c. Stephen
 - Rte. 611 cleanup timeline
 - April 6, 2024 - 9 - 11 AM - Route 611 & 212
 - Lunch available at Springtown Firehouse following clean-up
 - Supplies provided
 - d. Carl (not present)
 - Stutz Dam
 - Walk in Penn's Woods
 - e. Blake
 - Blake will further investigate utilization of road salt (on hold)
 - Environmental Town Watch
 1. EAC sign follow up - sign is beaten up
 - f. David
 - Cooks Creek Watershed Conservation Plan
 1. Dept of Conservation and Natural Resources approved $\frac{1}{3}$ of plan as proposed, so far. Contractor? - maybe Princeton Hydro. David/Blake will meet with Princeton Hydro. DCNR

did not approve vague wording of Princeton Hydro proposal to create “bioretention basins to capture flood water. More details to be hashed out.

g. David/Lois/Applicable

Board of supervisors’ meeting review

Funks Mill, Sherers Hill, Kintner, Countryside, & Dogwood Roads to be attended to in various ways by the Township

4. Old Business:

a. Membership

Blake spoke with Anthony about becoming a dual member of EAC and Planning Commission. Answer forthcoming.

b. CCWA Creek and River Festival, Saturday, July 13, 2024 10- 4 PM

David & Lois are on the planning committee.

Music, Food Trucks, Various tables

Idea proposed to create 2 announcement banners to stretch across route 212 & route 611 (Blake to reach out)

5. New Business:

a. Blake

Newsletter Committee (quarterly) - single page in length?

1. Volunteers needed (Proposed to reach out to Township Manager)
2. To be broadcast via Patch from PSD and Township webpage
3. Content ideas: Hikes? Road cleanup announcements?
What are we up to?

Promote Environmental Program (Quarterly event/synergy (STEM))

1. Seedlings to be planted in greenhouse on PSD property
2. Solar installation?
3. Bird Weather project? (Jeff expressed interest- Blake to follow up with STEM group)

County Conservation mapping/planning

1. They reached out to Blake regarding “sustainability” things
2. They will get back to Blake

Flood mitigation

1. Royack property of particular interest
2. Cooks Creek Conservation Plan update is reasonable driver to illuminating what can be done about ongoing issue

New Membership/Planning Commission connection/member

1. Blake to reach out to Noam/Supervisor

b. Carl - not present

Wetland Restoration

c. Lois

“Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic River”

1. Williams Township has finally agreed to join LDW&SR
which allows Pohatcong Twp, NJ to join

2. Might Durham Township re-consider? This would allow
Holland Twp to join

3. Blake will reach out to Robert to invite him to present to EAC

6. Adjourn. Motion: SLW 2nd: AA Vote: 6 - 0 Meeting adjourned 9:06 PM 7.

Next EAC meeting is Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 7:00 p.m

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