

Swarthmore Environmental Advisory Council

MEETING MINUTES

September 27, 2016

Present: Chair: Susan Kelly. Members: Doug Hasbrouck, Fintan McHugh. Associate member Ashley Grider. Borough Council liaison Lauren McKenney.

A quorum was not present to approve the minutes from the July and August meetings.

2016 Budget Proposal: Susan attended the Public Works, Parks, and Recreation committee meeting in September to present the EAC's request for items for the borough's 2017 budget. She felt our requests were well received and not considered unreasonable. Monies were requested for amenities to the park: a Port-a-Potty to be installed for 5 months of the year, from May through September; installation of canine waste disposal stations (2) with posts and bags; and milkweed plants, for a total request of \$1500. Fintan is gathering information from contractors concerning the repair of the gazebo roof, and it was decided that since repair costs are quite high, we should submit a proposal to the Centennial Foundation. It may be possible to replace the roof with corrugated steel. Doug suggested that Rich Cresson, long-time Swarthmore resident, be consulted about the component that was used in the construction of the gazebo roof.

Recycling (It's Not Trash) Committee: The Committee will meet on November 2.

Forum on Mariner East II Pipeline: The forum will be held October 2, in the Council Room of Borough Hall, moderated by the League of Women Voters. Speakers have been contacted and have accepted.

Swarthmore College preliminary plans: The Planning Commission approved the plans for the baseball field press box. Plans for the BEP building will continue to be discussed at a later PC meeting. At that point, the EAC will review them.

Little Crum Creek Park Work Days: Will be held on October 15th and 22nd, weather permitting. The path needs to be rebuilt and invasive vines need to be removed from the fence separating the park from the adjoining properties on Swarthmore Avenue, as well as in other areas of the park.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Recording secretary,

Susan Kelly

Last EAC meeting of the year: November 22nd, 7:30 pm in the Community Room.