

Falls EAC Meeting April 14, 2022

Attendance

EAC members

Present: Phil McAloon, Eileen Donahue, Jeannine Delwiche, Wes Plaisted, Erik Person

Absent: David Walsh, John Bentz

Others present: Anthony Montonario

Minutes: Mar 10, 2022 minutes were approved (5 years)

ITEM #1: PLAN REVIEWS

Hiossen: Storm water plan is to rip up asphalt and plant grass (accommodates 2-year storm)

Overflow to something (not shown on Google maps) on the other side of Sorrells Blvd.

Jim has said it is sufficient.

Landscape plan looks good. Traffic plan is unchanged.

ITEM #2: COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

People on wait list. Water turned on. Battery operated equipment working.

Phil connected with Pennsbury Supervisor. Supervisor is checking to see if committee can monitor over summer. Summer break may interfere with students participating.

TruMark Financial Credit Union is donating tools to the garden.

ITEM #3: FALLS TOWNSHIP RESIDENT CONCERNS

None

ITEM #4: GOAL/LOCAL EAC ACITIVITES UPDATE

Wes reached out to the Silver Lake Nature Center and Jim Jones but has not heard back

ITEM #5: EARTH DAY 2022

April 23rd, 11am-2pm at Core Creek Park. Plans remained unchanged from February meeting.

Chip has plants – who wants to pick up and when

Arrive 10am to set up. Expected to be cloudy with 5% chance of rain (noted on April 14)

- Eileen bring SLF traps, SLF literature, pop up
- Phil bringing “Tree to model
- Wes bringing table, general literature, Falls EAC banner
- Jeannine will bring the recycled pencils
- All should bring chairs
- Fairless Hills Garden Center will be donating some plants
- Chip Taylor is donating pants he started for us. Eileen will connect with Chip to arrange pick up.

FYI, Middletown will be giving away starter trees

ITEM #6: IDEAS FOR NEWSLETTERS

Ideas for Fall/Winter newsletter

- For Fall 2022: Leave leaves in place for pollinators
- For Spring/Summer 2023: Natural alternatives to insecticides (Wes has looked up) Spring 2023

ITEM #7: MS4 CONSIDERATIONS

No updates

ITEM #8: OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Old Business

- Group photo now on website.
- Jeannine shared information on what the Hatboro EAC is doing. They are writing documents to aid in grants that the borough is writing.

New Business

- Golder Associates is proposing an eastern expansion of the landfill of 63.9 acres to increase life expectancy for 4-5 years. Now flaring methane instead of capturing (as was done in the past).
- Tony shared the Falls Township Municipal building is going to be refurbished. The architectural plan has been drawn and presented to the board of Supervisors. Plan to start within a year. Will be done in phases and likely will take a couple of years.
 - Jeannine will ask Erin if she can explain at next meeting or help us get the video.
- Eileen mentioned letter from resident regarding the non-native invasive Callery (Bradford) pear trees planted on Falls property. Also requested a native plant ordinance which would be more of an EAC issue, so we may receive that request. LMT has a native plant ordinance.
- Jeannine will ask Rose about making minute archives public
- Jeannine will let Rose know we will now like to meet year round

Next meeting: Thursday, May 12 at 7pm.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:57pm