



**Warrington Township  
Environmental Advisory Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting  
May 1, 2013**

- 1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance:** Fred Suffian, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM. Present were: Ivy Ross, Vice-Chairman; Todd Baratz, Secretary; Josh Jordan, Member; Bob Rogus and Dan Rogus, Eagle Scout Candidate.

Mr. Suffian led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 2. Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- 3. Approval of Minutes for April 3, 2013:** On motion by Mr. Jordan and seconded by Mr. Suffian, the Minutes of the April 3, 2013 meeting were approved.

- 4. Business:**

- a. Wind Energy Campaign:** Mr. Suffian explained that the Wind Energy Campaign was discussed by the Board of Supervisors and they felt that it was a conflict of interest to support just one specific company. For this reason they have decided to not pursue this particular campaign.
- b. Green Infrastructure Partnership with Villanova:** Mr. Suffian explained that the Villanova students are continuing their working on the Valuation of Green Infrastructure as part of the PECO Grant. They have submitted a progress report for April, in which they outlined their progress. Mr. Suffian passed around that report and e-mailed it to the WEAC members for review.

Mr. Suffian asked that a motion be made to pay the four students for the current 50 hours. Mr. Baratz made that motion. Mr. Jordan seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mr. Suffian explained that a meeting and field walk has been scheduled for May 2, 2013 at 2:00 pm, with the Villanova students and the WEAC. Mr. Roy Reiter from the Township will also attend. We will be identifying areas for interpretative signs in Lower Nike Park.

Mr. Baratz reported that he communicated with the Blue Stone Development and they are not interested in incorporating their trail into the proposed trail system. The next contact will need to be with PADOT.

- c. **Detention Basin Work at Morning Walk Basin:** Mr. Rogus presented his planting plan. He explained to the group that the deadline for completion of his work, under the grant agreement, is May 28, 2013. Mr. Suffian suggested that Mr. Rogus complete the stone work and flag the area for tree and shrub planting on the weekend of May 4, 2013. All of the planting would then be completed on the Earth Day of Community Service, May 11, 2013.

Ms. Ross worked with Mr. Jim MacKenzie of Octoraro Nurseries to order the plants and arrange delivery. The plants will be delivered on May 10, 2013 to the fenced in sewer station at the Morning Walk detention basin. Mr. Mike Lewis, of Lewis Nurseries, has agreed to donate the tree tubes for the project. Mr. Suffian will pick up the conservation trailer on May 10, 2013 and park it at the basin.

d. **Earth Day:**

**Donations-** Ms. Ross updated the group on the final donation list-

1. \$200 from Giant Foods
2. \$100 from Wegman's
3. 100 chicken sandwiches from Chick-fil-a
4. Hoagie tray from Soprano's Pizza
5. Pizza and Cheese Fries from Chickie and Pete's
6. 250 drinks from WAWA
7. Bagels, spreads and coffee for 75 people
8. \$20 Village Bagel
9. 150 Hot Dogs from Illg's
10. 2 lunch passes from Eastern Buffett
11. Coupons from Sports Authority
12. Bio freeze packets from Greco Chiropractic
13. \$20 Bed, Bath and Beyond
14. \$25 Huntington Bank
15. \$100 Chef Ray
16. \$25 Staples

**Lunch Room-** Ms. Gwyn Walton has agreed to volunteer to run the lunch room this year.

**Check In-** Ms. Ross will set up a table and check in all of the volunteers and assign them to tasks.

**Volunteers-** Ms. Ross has sent out e-mails requesting volunteers for Earth Day. To date, it appears that there will be at least 100 volunteers.

**Bird and Bat Houses-** Ms. Ross has ordered a total of 8 bat houses. Four of the houses are one chamber and four are three chambers. As discussed in an e-mail, the WEAC will be charging \$50 for each Bat House. The houses cost the WEAC between \$65 and \$75 each, and we will be paying the difference out of the WEAC budget. Mr. Weremeychik will work with the volunteers to build the Bat Houses.

The Township has agreed to supply all materials to build the Bird Houses. Mr. Suffian will work with the volunteers.

**Rain Barrels-** It appears that we have enough materials on hand to build a sufficient number of rain barrels on Earth Day. Mr. Baratz will work with the volunteers to build the barrels.

**Flower Planting and Mulching-** Ms. Weremeychik has offered to work with the volunteers to plant the flower beds.

**Rain Garden and Butterfly Garden-** Ms. Ross will work with Ms. Dedeian to understand which weeds need to be removed from both areas. She will work with the volunteers on this task.

**Twin Oaks Bunker Painting-** Mr. Luber and Mr. Banargo have asked the WEAC to include painting some of the Camp bunkers during Earth Day. They will provide a member of Public Works and all of the equipment necessary. We will need approximately 20 volunteers for this task.

**Other Projects-** If there are enough volunteers, Ms. Barbara Brown has offered to lead an invasive species clean up at Lower Nike Park.

5. **Future Agenda Items:** There were no future agenda items discussed.
6. **Adjourn:** Mr. Jordan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm. Mr. Suffian seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ivy Ross  
Vice-Chairman, EAC