

February 26, 2025
7 PM – Springfield Township Free Library

Attending

- Committee & Associates, Residents

EAC - Alex, Martin, Gail, Joy, Brandon, Ben, Patrick, Adam

Community Guests –

Jerry & Cindy Charleston Speaking on Mulhull (SP) Drive regarding stormwater runoff

- Cindy to send EAC reference materials for <https://www.pa.gov/services/dep/water/bwrnsm/apply-for-a-department-of-environmental-protection-growing-greener-plus-grant.html> Growing Greener 2025 Grant to review and recommend the Township apply for this.

Tyler & Shantone Folk (Climate Action/Energy Transition Plan)

Open Space - Alexandra Klinger, Terri Hepner,

Friends of Mermaid Park - Beth Zolaski

WELCOME TO MEMBERS & GUESTS

- No guests scheduled

ATTENDANCE & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of January Minutes

January minutes were not received by EAC for approval. Will do for next meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT/OPEN FORUM COMMUNICATION/OUTREACH

- Reminder for recommendations on EAC Township website layout.

Still open to comment and recommendations on updates. Please send to Aaron if you have any suggestions.

NEW BUSINESS

- Native Plant Garden Collaboration in Wyndmoor – Alex K.

Springfield Open Space – Letter of Support from EAC to DCNR to be provided by Alex K./Springfield Open Space for review and sign off. Martin will act as point person to facilitate this.

Gail moved a Motion for the EAC to support the spirit of this request, seconded by Alex, with all acknowledging further documents and letters are still forthcoming. Unanimous approval by EAC was voted in the affirmative by Joy, Gail, Martin, and Alex.

- No Mow May Update (BOC March 10; 100 → 150; signage, etc.) – Martin

March 10th Martin is presenting to the Board of Commissioners

Joy moved a Motion to support No Mow May for 2025, seconded by Alex.

Unanimous approval

- Native Plant Sale (300 → 500 Plants; May 10; time change etc.) – Martin

Martin moved a Motion to increase quantity of 300 to 500 plants. Seconded by Gail. Unanimous approval. The event will be held on May 10th in front of the library.

OLD BUSINESS

- Composting Workshop Update, and future workshops topics – Patrick
- Workshop went well! There is interest in continuing this and providing the presentation again next year. Beth had an idea to record future EAC presentations such as this workshop to keep on a electronic library on the EAC website.**

- Mermaid Park Tour Date (4/26/25) – Joy/Beth

April 26th at 10am for EAC Members. Beth to send a Save the Date.

- Solar on Township Buildings – Joy

Shared Energy Manager Program Grant awarded from DEP. This is support for technical assistance in enacting our Energy Transition Plan. Wilson Engineering Services will be our technical partner in this endeavor to prepare the RFP for Solar Panels on Police, Administrative, and Public Works buildings. Wilson Engineering will collect the proposal's and help us analyze the RFP's to make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioner's.

- State Grant Update – Joy

\$50,000 MORE (Municipal Opportunities for Retrofits and Energy Efficiency) Grant was awarded. Grant will be used to do new energy benchmarking and audits for the Public Works, Police, and Administrative Buildings by Practical Energy Solutions.

TOWNSHIP UPDATE/QUESTIONS

- Updates - Brendan, Chuck

Brendan - Tankcar property being turned into a park, advancing this trail plan and Phase II would take the trail into Sandy Run Park and hopefully then to connect to the Pizack reserve.

ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING EAC EVENTS

- March 25, 2025: 7 PM – Springfield Township Free Library

Please note, EAC agendas are subject to change without notice.