

**DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
MARCH 6, 2023
MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting commenced at 7:35 PM.

Attendance:

Present: Letty Savage, Denise Rose, Paul Minor, Stephanie Gundling, & Cindy Crain

Absent: Jim Porcelli, Chris Hartigan, & Elisabeth Vasko

Prior Meeting Minutes:

The February 6, 2023 meeting minutes were previously approved.

Old Business:

Tree Pittsburgh Meeting

Mary Ellen Ramage to explore ordinance clinic with North Hills COG.

City of Pittsburgh Approved Species list added to EAC web page.

Spring Roadside Cleanup - Saturday, April 29, 2023 10am McAleer Road

Signs/Supplies

Wexford Run Road – consider for future cleanups

Official PennDOT Response - 3 feet off roadway

Acorn Park

Schedule – Construction to start August/September. Request limits of disturbance. Planting in Fall more ideal.

Tree tubes

Forest Management Budget

Review ALT Task List

EAC Page on Website Updated

Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Meeting - Wednesday, March 8th at 6:30pm at FP Borough Building.

Review progress on the transformation sketches and dive more into future land use, target areas for growth and preservation, and the plan's various goal and strategy statements, etc. Steph, Letty, & Elisabeth plan to attend.

New Business:

New Borough Liaison – Cindy Crain, Finance Director

Mel Lubert Nature Preserve - Final Report

Borough Building Oak Tree Replacement

Borough suggests 2 trees <30' with environmental value (produce food for birds, host for butterflies, etc.)

EAC ideas included river birch, crab apple, service berry, red bud, dogwood, etc.

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Ordinance Review – Trees and Solar. Decision to pursue Trees first. Paul to initiate a “Survey of our Peers” to review other ordinances. Denise to review Sewickley/Sewickley Heights. Cindy to reach out to Babst Calland and PASAB for info.

Plants for People – Letty applied for grant money (\$3,000) for habitat restoration type project on public land and must involve garden clubs/volunteers. Should know in June if awarded.

Landscape Plans

There were no landscape plans to review.

Action Items

Steph – Pickup supplies, Pickup tree tubes

Letty – Get info for MayMart Tree Pickup

Denise – Send out tree planting guide to EAC and upon approval get on website under “Resources”, Review Sewickley tree ordinances

Jim –

Paul – Initiate ‘Survey of Our Peers’ related to Tree Ordinance

Chris – Order 2 signs for roadside cleanup.

Elisabeth – Drop off Litter Brochures to IMS and Girl Scout Troop

Cindy – Add Elisabeth and ‘Events’ and ‘Resources’ headers to EAC website, Advertise Spring Roadside Cleanup in email blast, Reach out to PASAB and Babst Calland related to tree ordinances.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Stephanie Gundling
EAC Chair