

UPPER MORELAND TOWNSHIP  
Environmental Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes  
May 4, 2022

In attendance were:

Lynnette Saunders, EAC Chair  
Jean Scherfcunningham, secretary EAC  
Constantine Woznyj, EAC  
Jim Morrison, EAC  
Shawn Hopkins, EAC  
Margie Repka-Peters, UM Free Public Library  
Mark & Donna Rosenbaum  
Kevin Spearing – UM commissioner

Minutes of April were approved with corrections.

#### Earth Day

It went well

We discussed having water. Need to come up with a way to have re-useable cups, or ones that compost in a home compost bin

We had more people than last year.

Constantine thought he needed a better sign and would like to organize his display on alternatives to plastic better. He thinks the survey could be better, but Margie said it was a big hit. So, the plastic bag survey had 27 electronic and 1 paper response.

Trees were all given away. Went slow in the beginning, but at the end we had more people that wanted a tree than we had trees.

Plastic bag survey – set it up at the library and the polls. Make the questions less slanted towards having a bag ban. Are they an Upper Moreland resident, should be one of the questions. Can we put it in the township newsletter? Make a sign that says what the survey is for along with the QR code.

Dog Park – A few of us were there on April 28<sup>th</sup>, Lynnette, Jean, Donna, Mark and Constantine We think the best place for more trees is between the road and the fenced area of the dog park. Kevin suggested East of the fenced area and doing stream bank stabilization. We could use a flame weeder to get rid of the invasives and plant aggressive native plants to keep them out. Next step is to talk to Pat Stasio.

Middle School Sign. Donna's son Chris had good quality pictures so work on the sign can proceed.

A willow oak is the tree chosen by the Elementary school to be planted for the shade tree sign.

The Woodlawn School Park public meeting is May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in Council room. Jean and Jim are planning on attending.

The use of Roundup will be reduced in Mason Mill Park near the playground

Kevin reported that Montgomery County is working on a design for the Cross County trail from YMCA to Mason's Mill Park. He would like to do an educational sign about riparian buffers or stream bank

stabilization. He suggested that we should make a recommendation to the board of commissioners about the sign.

Hatboro is going to turn Pennypack School into a storm water management area as the Borough bought the school.

No update on the Outdoor Education Center

our 'to do list' OEEC, reforestation sites (Middle School, YMCA, creek next to dog park (approved), Pennypack Creek at Warminster Road near apartments), water bottle filling fountain at Masons Mill Park, plant shade tree(s) in conspicuous location(s) with an educational sign on how trees affect the water cycle and clean the air, etc. (small trees near entrance of each school?) Do a row of shrubs along MS bioswales?, reduce the use of Roundup on public and school grounds, MS sign.

Adjourned at 8:12 PM