

ALBANY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Kempton Fire Company Social Hall

2461 Route 143, Kempton, Pennsylvania

Monday December 5, 2022

Attending: Noah Rauch, Randy Hensinger, Tom Kerr, Bracken Brown, Laurie Goodrich, Anita Zawada. **Absent:** Jeff Schucker, Stephanie Stoudt.

Secretary's Report: Minutes taken by Bracken Brown in November were not available to review. He will send around soon.

Public Forum

Public Programs

Display will be up at Kempton Community Center Christmas Night. Tom to make sure it gets placed.

December 8th Thursday program at Visitor Center 6:30 pm. Jeff might need to miss it. Tom or Bracken will cover to mention EAC. Larry Lloyd and Sarah C. to present on easements and HMS will have live bird and refreshments.

Current Activities

Programs for 2023 discussed. Tom is working on a Geology talk. Laurie and he discussed Craig Kochel however he is mostly free on April weekend as he lives two hours away. Randy agreed to approach geologist from Kutztown University instead.

Todd Bauman has been approached to talk in April or late march on forest management and invasives control. Other topics were current state tick study, some from the historical society, possibly on early farming, potatoes etc.

Other activities: Jeff working on burn ordinance.

Tom said he was reaching out to Sarah hall-Bagnois to see about funding for a mailing to eligible forest owners. Laurie said she has her contact details.

Virtual Albany Tour. Noah has not had time to work on it much but has done some additional filming.

Weed Ordinance and natives list. Noah reported there are several links on web that might be suitable rather than having a long list to download. We should discuss this further in January. That we might use as links on webpage. Noah said he will distribute list of links by email for comments.

New Business

Laurie suggested the EAC look at new park and see if there is an area that can be left for the birds, i.e., delay mowing until fall to allow nesting. Bracken, Noah and Laurie agreed to take time to look at map to see if there is an area not used for fair parking.

Bracken will send minutes by email.

Submitted by,

Laurie Goodrich

EAC Secretary