

Kutztown Environmental Advisory Commission
June Meeting

June 6, 2016

Present: Commission Members – Todd Underwood, Jeri Carroll, Tara Erney, Nathan Lewis, Joe Sebzda, and Becky Weller.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Jeri Carroll.

1. Todd Underwood no approval the minutes of the May meeting. May & June meeting minutes will be approved when EAC reconvenes in July.
2. Announcements: None.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Old Business: None.
5. New Business: Secretary position- Todd Underwood nominated Nathan Lewis. Jeri Carroll seconded. Passed unanimously.

6. Subcommittee Reports

- A. KU Environmental Committee – Todd Underwood (chair)
No report.
- B. Community Education – Becky Weller (chair)
No report.
- C. Air & Water Quality – Jeri Carroll (chair)
EAC members discussed quarry water increase. EAC members will await Public comment date for this issue.

Gypsy Moth spraying & Gypsy Moth locations with in the borough and at North Park as Gypsy Moths are present there.

- D. Recycling Program – Nathan Lewis (chair)
No report.
- E. Parks & Trail – Todd Underwood (chair)
Summer intern is active at North Park: Invasive plant removal, mowing, weedwacking, and tree planting is in progress.

Boy Scouts are asking permission to have a campout and work day at North Park in September. Todd will attend Public Works Committee meeting 6/7/2016 to formally

ask permission for this activity/work day to be sent to Borough Council for final approval. Will need to purchase 20 trees and twenty shrubs for the Boy Scout work day.

Removal of Japanese Knotweed at North Park by Larry Lloyd

EAC members request current budget in order to keep a running total for future projects that may require funding. Jeri will email Gina about current budget.

Trail Day on 6/11/2016 at North Park. All signs have been put out by EAC members, advertising in community and social media updates are done.

EAC members will meet at North park around 9:30 am for Trail day activity set up. Bird walks will be as follows: 11:00am with Todd Underwood & 1:00pm with Nate Lewis. Trail day will end around 2:00pm.

Frisbee Golf course at North Park was discussed and the EAC will monitor Borough committee meetings and Borough Council meetings on the topic.

EAC members discussed looking into making North Park a nature preserve, sanctuary or apply for Audubon Bird Town. Becky will look into this further after the Trail Day.

On a motion by Jeri Carroll with a second by Nathan Lewis, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Lewis
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