Kutztown Environmental Advisory Commission Minutes  
December 7, 2020

Present via ZOOM: Commission Members – Todd Underwood, Warren Shaub, and KU student member Andrew Bosche  Public in attendance; Phila Back.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Todd Underwood.

1. Approved the minutes for November meeting

2. Public Comment: Phila Back expressed concerns about excessive train idling on Peach Street in Kutztown. She asked that the EAC request that a zero-idling policy be enacted and enforced. Mr. Underwood advised Ms Back that the train concerns have been repeatedly addressed by both the EAC and the Kutztown Borough Council and that no new resolution would be forthcoming due to the fact that the trains were all being operated in a compliant, legal fashion.

3. Old Business: The remaining EAC budget of $583 was discussed and decided to be spent in the following ways;

   $450 is to be spent on approximately 50 t-shirts and additional heat transfer seals for future garments. Style and colors were chosen.

   Remaining $133 to be spent on deer spray and bird feed.

4. New Business: none

5. Subcommittee Reports
   - Community Education – No Report
   - Air & Water Quality – no report
   - Refuse & Recycling Program –no report

   Parks & Trail - Todd Underwood (chair)
   Discuss the recommended paving and alternate screening material for the Sacony trail resurfacing project.

   Discussed placing signage on the southern end of the Sacony trail to designate and describe the native grasses area.

   Todd Underwood will write the request for funds from Giant Food stores for the planting of shrubbery in the Sacony Creek Trail in Spring.

   All future queries regarding a spring cleanup are to be forwarded to Warren Shaub for a future organized cleanup effort on the West bank of the Sacony

6. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM