

## Kutztown Environmental Advisory Commission Minutes

Monday March 2, 2026

In-person meeting at Kutztown Borough Hall: EAC Members: Todd Underwood (Meeting Chair), Lisa Ladd-Kidder (L-K) (Borough Council Liaison), Lisa Foreback (F), Mike Downing, Tommy Lazorik (KU student rep). Kathy Kelly (Secretary), and Randy Wert by Zoom.

- 7:01 pm, Mike moved to approve the minutes from the February 2026 meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy.
- Announcements: None.
- Public Comment: None.
- New Business: None.
- Subcommittee Reports
  - A. Community Education:
    - Mike is targeting April to publish the first in a series of short articles relevant to the residents of Kutztown. Tommy to assist concerning input for KU projects.
  - B. Water and Air Quality.
    - The team submitted comments to Lisa L-K who will edit the documents to be included in the presentation to the Water/Waste Water Committee on the PCE plume.
    - Kathy reported that Delaware uses a road brine mix of 23% rock salt and 77% water to treat roads. This concentration has been approved by Delaware DEP as environmentally safe.
  - C. Recycling and Trash
    - No update.
  - D. Parks and Trails -Todd Underwood (chair)
    - KEAC discussed a possibility that North Park will be opened up for deer hunting to cull the herd. The deer have been eating the bark off of the young trees. There is a lot of coordination that needs to be worked out before this can occur. Todd wants to install cameras at Hawk Mountain and North Park to monitor the deer traffic.
    - Tree planting at North park is scheduled for April. Public Works will back this up moneywise in case the grant does not go through in time. KU students will supply the muscle to plant the trees and shrubs.
    - Trash pickup scheduled for March 29 with KU students. Also, another with middle school, and high school students in April.
    - The Boy Scout bridge replacement project is moving forward. One of two bridges along the Saucony Trail will be replaced.

Motion to adjourn by Mike at 08:00 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathy.