

Kutztown Environmental Advisory Commission Minutes

Monday April 7, 2025

In-person meeting at Kutztown Borough Hall: EAC Members: Todd Underwood (Chair), Kathy Kelly (Secretary) by Zoom, Lisa Ladd-Kidder (L-K) (Borough Council Liaison), Randy Wert by Zoom, Lisa Foreback and Cheyenne Friscia (KU Student Rep).

The meeting was called to order by Todd Underwood at 7:00 pm.

- Cheyenne moved to approve the minutes from the March 2025 meeting and 2nd by Randy.
- Announcements: None
- Public Comment: None
- Subcommittee Reports
 - A. Community Education
 - The KEAC webpage is current.
 - Todd will lead a first graders nature walk in May.
 - Lisa provided a link to a PFAS pamphlet which has been posted on our Facebook page.
 - B. Water and Air Quality
 - The team discussed the quarry and Borough well water level. The PCE levels were also discussed and is a continuing concern that deserves continued close monitoring via testing.
 - The team was asked by Lisa L-K to review her draft of a comment letter to DEP from the Kutztown Water/Waster Water (W/WW) Committee.
 - SOLO Labs DEP permit renewal review. All agreed that we need to review their Emissions data to ensure compliance to [25 Pa. Code § 127.449]. Todd to draft a letter to be sent by Borough Council requesting the data.
 - C. Recycling and Trash
 - Borough electronic recycling to be held May 31, 2025.
 - D. Parks and Trails -Todd Underwood (chair)
 - Todd reported that the foot bridges on the North Park and Saucony Creek trails need to be rebuilt and could be possible for Eagle Scout projects. Lisa F. to contact Brian Bailey.
 - There have been unauthorized posting of information and random objects placed at North park. Per Maxatawney and Kutztown Public Works Code, unauthorized displays, objects, or posting are not allowed. This includes signs and solicitations.
 - Earth Day is April 22nd. Todd mentioned that lots of groups want to do trash pickups and general cleanups during this time period.
 - Todd reported that the EAC intern position has been approved by Public Works.
 - There will be a spring tree planting at North Park and along the road on 4/22/23. Work to be performed by KU students.

Motion to adjourn by Todd Underwood at 08:03 pm, 2nd by Randy.