

## Kutztown Environmental Advisory Commission Minutes

Monday June 2, 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, and Lisa Foreback.

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

- Lisa F. moved to approve the minutes from the May 2025 meeting and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy.
- Announcements: New EAC applicant, Michael Downing, has been approved by all and will move forward to borough Council approval.
- Public Comment: None
- New Business: None
- Subcommittee Reports
  - A. Community Education
    - No update.
  - B. Water and Air Quality.
    - The final draft of the SS&M report was received and approved by the Kutztown Water/Waste Water (W/WW) Committee. EAC also reviewed the document and all agreed that continued monitoring is required.
    - Lisa L-K distributed a report to the EAC concerning land use and concerns over air and noise pollution and water requirements for the proposed data centers and warehouses in Maxatawney Township. It was suggested that current zoning ordinances covering these topics be updated as a joint effort between Kutztown and the township. Further discussion will be on July's Agenda.
  - C. Recycling and Trash
    - No update.
  - D. Parks and Trails -Todd Underwood (chair)
    - Lisa F. is working on the communication between the Scout Master and Brian Bailey in regard to rebuilding the foot bridges on the North Park and Saucony Creek trails as an Eagle Scout project.
    - Todd reported that the EAC intern is on the job. He will focus on invasive plant control, mowing and clean-up of the White Oak garden.
    - Acorn planting was performed by the KU Ornithology Club in a hard to access area of North Park. 250-300 acorns were planted with 20-25 caged. Our new intern will plant ~100 acorns along the Saucony Trail.
    - No added information on the North Park bridge project.
    - No added information on trail extension.

Motion to adjourn by Todd Underwood at 07:30 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by KK.