## SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 MEETING

**PRESENT:** Ron Moule (Chair), Eric Allen (Vice Chair), Tamara Lesh, Deirdre Alderfer, Hope Blaythorne, Barry Fetterolf, Helen Tai (Liaison) and Christine Terranova (Administrator)

**ABSENT:** John Francis and David Benner

# I. OPENING OF MEETING:

Chair Moule called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

# **II.** APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Upon a Motion by Eric Allen, seconded by Deirdre Alderfer, the meeting minutes for September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 were unanimously approved with corrections.

# III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Township's planning consultant, Simone Collins, is in the process of drafting a plan to revamp the Delaware Canal.

The Aquetong Watershed Association will hold their annual meeting on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Cradle Valley Farm, 6454 Meetinghouse Road.

The Primrose Watershed will hold their annual meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at the township building.

As of September 20, 2017, a portion of black plastic was installed on an area of the Phragmites near the old dam at Aquetong Park.

## IV. NEW BUSINESS – None

# V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### Deer Management Update

Changes have occurred at the Pennsylvania Game Commission since last year and the next step is to regroup and look to accomplish our goal for the program. It has developed as a more complex process with the limited deer tags.

Chair Moule and Ms. Tai agreed that there should be another group meeting to

determine what the next step should be with the program. Working with the Pennsylvania Game Commission the process needs to be updated before approaching the hunters with the land owners.

## Aquetong Spring Park

## A. Committee Update

Mr. Fetterolf stated that the committee was waiting on a plan on the restoration of the creek. Princeton Hydro has done a minor plan but are expected to provide the committee/township with a more detailed, revised plan and presentation. A PennDOT grant is to address the use of the stream coming off of Route 202 (Lower York Road) into the park area with a plan.

The committee is scheduled to end by the end of 2017 but may continue into 2018. The committee will meet again on Monday, October 30, 2017.

EAC would like to be contacted or emailed once the sketch of the stream restoration plan is available.

#### B. Invasive control at the park

As of September 20, 2017 a section of black plastic was installed on an area of the Phragmites near the old dam at the park.

#### Wild Area Stewardship

Ms. Blaythorne stated that approximately six ash trees near Creekside (North Pointe development) have been marked that will need to be removed. There are additional areas that will need to be looked at in the Cuttaloosa area.

#### Roadside Spraying – Nothing to add

#### Green Points for Building

Mr. Francis was absent from the meeting to comment.

#### Recycling at Parks

The new approach to signage and containers in the parks seems to be working. It was suggested to approach the environmental programs in the middle school and high school to promote recycling. The next step may be to approach Solebury School concerning a recycling program on their campus.

Penn East Pipeline Update -- Nothing to add

# VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Alderfer noted that there is an advisory committee available for people to attend regarding the Delaware Canal.

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT

# Upon a Motion by Hope Blaythorne, seconded by Tamara Lesh, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Christine Terranova EAC Administrator