

**WEST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP
LAND PRESERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 2020**

ATTENDING

LP&S COMMITTEE:

Meg Kramer, Chair
Bob Portnoy, Vice Chair
John Braxton, Secretary
Lyle Frederick
Abbie Kessler
Ed Roworth
Karen Sklenar

TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVES:

Justin Yaich, Township Manager
Jack Hines, Township Supervisor
Cheryl Wanko, LP&SC Sub-committee
Scott Address, Stormwater & Special Projects

Meg Kramer, Committee Chair, called the public meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Committee members introduced themselves at the beginning of the meeting.

REVIEW / APPROVE MINUTES:

Draft minutes prepared for the October 5, 2020 meeting by Karen Sklenar, Acting Secretary, were approved.

OSRER UPDATE:

Bob Portnoy informed the committee that the next OSRER meeting was to be held November 17th and that he or Cheryl would attend and report back.

CODE COMPARISON WITH EAST BRANDYWINE:

The committee discussed how West Bradford Township code compares with East Brandywine in the area of sustainability. East Brandywine engaged Brandywine Conservancy in a code review to find any areas of improvement. The committee is interested in finding townships that can share best practices of integrating sustainability protocols into zoning code.

EMBREEVILLE UPDATE:

Justin shared a progress report on the remediation efforts and demolition plans at Embreeville. Communication has been very good between owners and township and progress is on or slightly ahead of schedule.

Justin and Jack Hines discussed various aspects of future plans and that there will be a steering committee involved to include all stake-holders. Land Planner Tom Comitta will be involved. Also, there will be various artifacts preserved from some of the Embreeville buildings to be integrated into future uses.

MONARCH / BUTTERFLY / POLLINATOR GARDEN:

Meg and Justin discussed possible locations for a butterfly / pollinator garden which included Shadyside Park, Broad Run Park and Brandywine Trail. In addition to attracting pollinators, this garden could also serve an educational function.

READY FOR 100 FOLLOW UP:

Cheryl and Karen informed the committee that the draft resolution has been sent to the BoS for their review and are awaiting any feedback. Cheryl would make herself available to answer any questions from the BoS. Bob described the resolution as advocating for change, not mandating.

WEBSITE REVIEW:

Karen and Cheryl discussed with the committee about adding a paragraph to LP&SC Mission the work of the Sustainability sub-committee. Committee discussed adding links to the website on environmental education webinars, podcasts, etc. to become a repository of information. Committee is to review and approve content for 'Plants & Pests' for WBT website.

SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE:

Cheryl and Karen shared the hope of developing a pilot program for household composting with the intent of rolling this idea out township-wide. More discussion to come.

Survey results were discussed again to better understand areas of educational interest of township residents.

NEW BUSINESS:

A brief discussion of the Saw Mill Road dedication was had. Possibly to be held in 2021.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

The next regular committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 7, 2020 at 6:30 PM. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



John Braxton
Secretary