

Springfield Township EAC - Meeting Minutes

November 29th 7 PM

Free Library of Springfield Township

Attending

- Stephen, Gail, Martin, Joy, Desiree, Richard, Patrick, Martin, Zeta, Pat
- Absent: Chuck, Aaron

Audience

- Bud C., Karissa R., Chris G., Alexandra K., Terry H.

Minutes

- October minutes motioned and approved unanimously.
- Junkluggers event - Co-promoted EAC, and HS Sustainability committee
 - Motion for \$600 expenditure - motioned and approved unanimously.
 - Date for the event - March 30th primary date. April 6th is the rain date.
- 2024 Planning discussion - planning for what the EAC will focus on for 2024
 - The list of these items with leads, timing will be shared via the spreadsheet that is used for planting.
 - Covering the items what will be on there and who is leading.
 - Birdtown does not need to be updated each year, the resolution was updated this year to reflect the reorganization of Birdtown and their name change.
 - Native Pollinator Garden at Mermaid park - maintenance & enhancement
 - Additional from Springfield Open space (not EAC driven) pollinator
 - Plants for 25 families who want to start a pollinator garden - may want to include shade tree. Need to know budget for this.
 - Native plants and meadow options for all parks - Martin, Gail
 - Write Muni transition plan - Joy, Bernadette
 - Fleet electrification - Aaron
 - Solsmart certification -> Parking lot
 - Home electrification, Yard tools - workshops and web page - Aaron, Richard
 - Working with other muni's / eacs - Joy, Richard
 - Rec Center Planning - Joy
 - School district outreach - Joy, Desiree, Martin
 - Trail Plan - Pat
 - Comprehensive Plan and Parks and Recs Plan - Participating.
 - Multiple items we are looking to make sure the EAC have involvement in.
 - Workshops, presentations and other items for completing in 2024.
 - Social Media -> reaching out to HS students is volunteers in exchange for service hours.
 - Pending action item: Aaron/Zeta to bring forward an social media plan.
 - PA Sustainable communities recertification - Parking lot (but Stephen and Ben)

- Library reading list - Stephen; maybe see about taking this into an ongoing shelf / website list.
- Open Space - Gail
- Public input on the list - no comment
 - Springfield Open Space - open to helping EAC with any native plant, pollinator activities we have.
- Township/BOC
 - Close to passing budget for next year, vote on 13th. No millage increases. Presentation and information is on the township website.
 - Last opp for comment on Trial plan is before the vote on the 13th by the BOC for adoption.
 - Resolution 1620 - open space fund, matching for up to 200k per year. Rolls over year to year. (Starts next year)

Action items

- Zeta - get a budget for the 25 families who want to start a pollinator garden.
- Zeta - Signs to identify the plants Mermaid demonstration need to know budget for this.
- Desiree/Stephen - coordinate
- Joy - volunteer to setup the room for the January meeting