

# EAC April Meeting Minutes

7pm Free Library of Springfield Township

April 24th 2024

## Attendees

- Chuck, Stephen, Martin, Joy, Zeta, Gail, Aaron, Pat,

Audience: 13 people in attendance

## Minutes

- Welcome & introductions
- From the audience:
  - Springfield open space (not related to us or the township) - going to have a space at the Chestnut Hill Home & Garden - looking for materials
  - Storm water & drainage
  - Residents concerned about trees in our township; damage and downed trees during storms.
  - Open space interest
- March Minutes
- No Mow May - 68 sign-ups; brief synopsis for the audience as to what it is about
- Opened for public discussion:
  - Storm water:
    - Hull drive resident : water flooding debris down this street. Because drainage is insufficient, you have stagnating water. Other resident has reached out to Commissioner Ratsavong and showed her the property and the issue. Same resident has 500 gallons of storage for water, but in longer and larger rain events its not sufficient.
    - Resident asked : Does the township have a comprehensive water management program.
    - Provided clarification about the Wissahickon Clean Water partnership.
  - Chris two questions regarding the
- Open space update - Gail
- Recommendation letter to BOC regarding Ben Schimenick appt to BoC
- Postponed reviewing the annual plan
- Aaron : Gas leafblower presentation -> received a toolkit on gas leafblowers. Also in touch w/ Cheltenham township EAC. Looking to gathering local townships to approach this. Ellie, Penn Environment looking to present to the EAC next month.
- EV Panel update from Zeta - invited her contact to also present at the next EAC meeting.

- Township update - Brendan
  - BoC announced the open positions and have interviews scheduled for the open positions.
  - Walnut Ave path almost complete
  - Carson Valley, one operational partner is pulling back/out. The Trust has some other possibilities they are working on to remain in line with what the trust was set up to do. Help disadvantaged children.