

Paradise EAC

Minutes

April 8, 2010

Present: Paul Reisch, Michael Flood, Cheryl Phillips, Don Miller, Edie Stevens, Carol Hillestad

Planning Commission Mt Airy plans for overflow parking lot – letter sent to PC. Mike Flood reported that the Supervisors would like an EAC representative attend meetings to explain letters and comments.

Mt Airy 2009 Greenway Report Don Baylor will review the bug data from the 2009 report. EAC recommends: 1. that the BOS ask Mt Airy to provide a timeline for when recommendations in the Report will be implemented 2. that Twp's engineer know the property first hand by walking it (can the EAC go with him?) 3. that we should see Jason Smith's review letter for the '09 Report.

Forest Management Plan for OS – Don has provided map of OS properties for Dick Cary. Ask BOS to recommend that Mt. Airy consider doing a Forest Management Plan for their Greenway lands.

Official Map – When Deb & Carson return from vacation, they will meet with John Prevoznik to finalize ordinance language changes and legal issues. Final draft will go to BOS & then to Paradise Planning Commission & MCPC simultaneously.

Commercial Construction ordinance – BOS discussed on March 16. EAC would like to request that the BOS proceed with Tree Preservation and Commercial Construction ordinance without LEED requirements. LEED could take years to research and implement & few if any new commercial structures in the township would seek LEED certification. In the meantime, we would lose the opportunity to encourage the kind of Paradise-friendly commercial construction we seek (pitched roofs, undisturbed vegetative buffers, parking in rear and side yards only, for example).

Open Space Map/brochure for Township completed. Copies available now at Twp.

Page on the Township Website – Some info up, need photos.

Trash-recycling-composting education plan WREN grant application sent March 26

Echo Farm – Reda completing DCNR grant request

Trail connection between Twp & Skywood – meeting to be set between landowners, the Van Scivers, and John P to go over terms of lease & liability issues.

Dog park – at PARC for decision re Skywood

Nothstein /Cranberry Creek ATV damage – From PHLT experience at Kurmes Preserve, Don recommends first posting property to delineate boundaries and post No Motorized Vehicles signs at all entrances. Other management options are to install hidden, motion-activated cameras and recruit volunteers to patrol, perhaps an article in Township Newsletter

Trails Don will complete his proposal for working on trails in the Township, the EAC will review costs and deliverables at our next meeting.

Recycling – discussion of putting a well-camouflaged plastics recycling area on a corner of the Lazy Rock site, or behind the Municipal Building. Don has a source in Allentown that takes plastics 1 – 7. Entry can be by passcard with timed accessibility for control. Don suggests inviting Jim Lambert to an EAC meeting to discuss possibilities.

Next meeting May 13, 2010