



BOROUGH OF
FOX CHAPEL
PENNSYLVANIA

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
January 10, 2022
MINUTES

PRESENT: Austin P. Henry, Chairman; Jay S. Troutman, Nanette Bennett, Walter A. Scott III, Members; Paul R. Bell, Code Official; Joshua R. Callendar, Borough Engineer; Kelsey Mersing, Borough Administrative Assistant

VIA ZOOM: Peggy G. Jayme, Thomas J. Murphy, Donald H. Newman, Members; Sarah Hanna; Michael Pohl

ALSO PRESENT: Mark Reidenbach, Gateway Engineers, Inc.; John H. Miller

Mr. Henry called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

It was moved and seconded that the minutes from the meeting held on December 13, 2021, be approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Environmental Disturbance Application:</u>	TBD Realty LLC
21-12	350 Raynor Lane
	Construction of a New Single-family Residence

Mark Reidenbach from Gateway Engineers, Inc. was in attendance to discuss the construction of a new single-family residence at 350 Raynor Lane with associated drives and stormwater facilities. The application also includes the proposal to remove 20 trees over 6" DBH.

There was a discussion regarding the rain garden stormwater detention facility and its functionality. Mr. Reidenbach indicated that, subsequent to the submission of the drawings depicting the rain garden detail, the perforated underdrain pipe below the bottom of the detention pool had been removed and the only outflow from the facility was via the raised inlet. This alleviated concerns regarding the amount of outflow to the surface water channel at the north of the property.

When reviewing trees to be removed, Ms. Jayme noted she was impressed the Saucer Magnolias were identified correctly; however, the Japanese Maple was really a Weeping Cherry. Ms. Jayme also stated she is happy to see the Callery Pear go as they were just put on the invasive list by the state of Pennsylvania and will no longer be sold in any nurseries.

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On the replanting plan, Ms. Jayme commented that it states three 3" caliper Silver Maples are being put in, but according to the botanical name, they are Sugar Maples. Both Mr. Troutman and Ms. Jayme expressed they would like to see more significant hardwoods such as Maples or Oaks replanted which will help the canopy. Mayor Scott recommended adding four to six additional hardwoods to the replanting plan in place.

Josh Callendar, Borough Engineer, confirmed the application as submitted is in compliance with the applicable ordinances and, in the opinion of the engineer, recommends proceeding.

Following review and discussion it was moved by Mr. Troutman that Environmental Disturbance Application No. 21-12 be recommended for approval by Borough Council as submitted contingent upon the following:

- The submission to the ACCD for approval and permitting and other conditions within the LSSE Review No. 2 letter dated December 22, 2021.
- An amendment to the replanting plan to include six additional 2" caliper hardwoods. Also, amend Silver Maple to say Sugar Maple on the replanting plan.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Scott and passed by unanimous vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:27 PM, the EAC adjourned into Executive Session to meet with and interview applicants for the vacant EAC position. At 8:24 PM, the meeting was reconvened.

There being no other business to come before the EAC, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

KELSEY M. MERSING
Administrative Assistant