

MINUTES
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 8, 2021

PRESENT: Austin P. Henry, Chairman; Nanette Bennett, Jay S. Troutman, Peggy G. Jayme, Thomas J. Murphy, Donald H. Newman, Members; Paul R. Bell, Code Official; Kelsey Mersing, Borough Administrative Assistant

ALSO

PRESENT: Frank Rath, Jr.; Michael Pohl

ABSENT: Walter A. Scott III, Member

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

It was moved and seconded that the minutes from the meeting held on October 11, 2021, be approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Tree Removal Request:</u>	Diane & Frank Rath, Jr.
TR-21-171	400 Fairview Road
	Proposed Removal of 77 Trees

Frank Rath, Jr. was in attendance to answer questions related to the removal of 77 trees over 6" DBH on his property. Fifty-seven of the trees to be removed are in poor condition or dying, while the remaining twenty are already dead. Mr. Rath explained the subject land where most of the dead trees and most of the removals are was just acquired. Once the dead and declining trees are gone, he stated they would like to locate some hardwoods there—mostly Oaks, Maples, and Norway Spruce.

Following review and discussion, it was moved by Mr. Newman that Tree Removal Request TR-21-171 be recommended for approval by Borough Council as submitted contingent upon the submission of a replanting plan for 20-25 trees over a two-year period.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy and passed by unanimous vote.

Other Business

Members discussed the newly implemented log to track tree replanting in the Borough. The first line of compliance for tree replanting will come from the applicant's arborist or landscape architect. Any additional follow-up or confirmation will be the responsibility of the Tree Committee, an assigned EAC member, or the Borough's certified arborist.

Term Expirations

Mr. Henry alerted members to the upcoming term expirations of Nanette Bennett, Thomas Murphy, and Walter Scott. The EAC recommended advertising for the three open positions on the Borough website and Nixle.

There being no other business to come before the EAC, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

KELSEY M. MERSING
Administrative Assistant