



Tredyffrin Township
Environmental Advisory Council
Meeting Agenda: August 26, 2025

- Call to order
- Approval of June minutes
- Welcome of other guests

Updates

- Engineer's report
- Treasury report: \$2,858.41 final reimbursement check for rain garden grant being wired by DEP
- Historical Commission
- Parks and Rec
- Planning Commission/Zoning Hearing Board
 - 602 Old Eagle School Road subdivision application – withdrawn for now, good case study for discussion purposes
- Parks Stewardship:
 - Wilson Farm Park:
 - 91 trees to be planted by contractor at Wilson Farm Park. EAC following up with Township regarding deer rub protection
 - WFP Rain gardens: All shrubs have survived (watered three times). Rain garden cages need weeding. (Chuck C. weed whacked around all cages)
 - Bird houses need maintenance.
 - Three white oaks, one dogwood, one shrub lost during 2024 (three can be replaced at no charge).
 - No possibility to water our trees during construction. Public works has been watering them.
 - Tree and shrubs cages need weeding before Community Day.
 - Grant available from Chuck C. and Bank of America this fall or next spring for Wilson Farm Park, Bocce Grove, or Strafford Park.
 - Mazie B. Hall Park
 - Knotweed being addressed but slow progress. No planting until at least 2027.
 - Bocce Grove Park
 - Knotweed largely eradicated. Put down wildflower seed under large maple but was mowed by public works. Put up a sign and will reseed this fall.
 - Possibility to plant five shade trees this fall with Chuck C. and Bank of America funding. Surrey for Seniors has volunteered outside water access.
 - Valley Creek Restoration Partnership:
 - Largest storm logged to date on June 30/July 1. First time Beechwood 2 may have exceeded its three-foot depth capacity and briefly overflowed into the storm drainage system, but otherwise all capture to date since installation in February has been infiltrated. (See attached report.)
 - Salt snapshot (coordinated by Stroud): Crabby Creek: tentatively scheduled for Saturday October 4 (~10am); Jon Wilson and Dave Manning points of contact.
 - Salt in our streams program: Jenkins virtual program, Thursday, December 18, Kate Hutelmyer, Chester County Water Resources Authority, 7pm.
 - Looking to submit a second grant with the Trustee Council.

- Crabby Creek Park:
 - Good progress on invasives control of knotweed and mugwort (nearly gone), multiflora rose, some progress on garlic mustard. Bittercress and stilt grass still abundant, repeat hand pulls of larger plants next spring.
 - 100% survival on October 2024 trees despite no watering or weeding to date.
 - Minor weeding of cages of 2024 fall planting needed this fall.
 - Both sides of trail loaded with buried, broken up tile pipes and fabric from sewer line construction.
- Parks Survey update/long term planning:
 - Strafford Park: Invasives slowly being reduced, some new plantings could be installed at Strafford Park walkway garden and rain garden next spring after spring weeding.
- Education:
 - Aqua – Essentials grant: Discuss options for new grant (Amber and Anne).
 - Community Day is Saturday, October 5th: what would we like to share?
- Recycling & Waste Management:
 - Township Building as second location (thanks to more volunteers!)
 - Gas-powered leaf blowers: Lower Merion Township Staff plans to bring a leaf blower ordinance (seasonal ban only) to a Board of Commissioners Sustainability Committee meeting in September. Draft ordinance to Tracy once it's final.
 - Lack of leaf bag pickups by waste haulers (despite ordinance): actions we can take?
- Rain Garden Program:
 - Weeding of rain garden – week of August 28
- Clean Energy:
- Woodland Conservation Ordinance Update:
 - Erin still has revision of the permit application per our model on her to do list.
 - Overlap of general code enforcement and woodland ordinance useful (see above item).
 - 2024 and early 2025 permits supposedly to be planted this fall, rechecking might be useful
- School District
 - \$8,000 Donation from Anne Ikeda for Valley Forge Road Trees on VF Middle School property: September 9 Facilities meeting, and September 29 School Board meeting.
- Old/New Business
 - Request from Erin: Research into bamboo ordinances
 - EAC fall gathering will be first part of November