

## Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2014  
7:30 PM  
Conference Room C

### **Mt Lebanon Environmental Sustainability Advisory Board**

#### **Roll Call:**

#### **Attendees:**

Kathleen Hrabovsky, Chair  
Andrew Baram, Co-chair  
Patrick Eberz  
Pam Scott  
Bonnie Cross, Staff Liaison & Assistant to the Manager

#### **Absent:**

Abby Lawler Morycz  
Maria Joseph  
Kelly Fraasch, Commission Liaison

#### **High School**

#### **Students:**

High school junior Alex Terrasavage attended the meeting.

**Call to order:** The official meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chairperson Kathleen Hrabovsky

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of the May, 2014 Meeting Minutes:** Andrew motioned to approve the May minutes; Patrick seconded the motion. All members in attendance approved.

#### **School Board Business**

**Board Member to be selected by the School District:** Kathy read a letter from School Board Liaison Elaine Cappucci to Kristen Linfante, Commission President and Steve Feller, Municipal Manager, explaining that the school district would no longer be a part of the ESB. The letter said in part:

“When the ESB was formed, its purpose was to gain local government approval of the Mt. Lebanon Climate Action Plan, which was prepared by a group of resident volunteers interested in reducing energy use in Mt. Lebanon. Both the commission and the School Board approved the plan and formation of the ESB. The goal of the Action Plan was to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by reducing energy consumption, a goal the School District continuously works on. Since that time

the ESB has expanded their role, but the majority of their work has been on issues pertaining to the municipality, not the School District. Our role in the ESB is limited to projects within our buildings, while the commission's responsibilities are more far-reaching.

We would like to ask the commission to appoint a new ESB member to the open position this year and for the next two open School Board positions since you have the pool of candidates for volunteer board positions. At the end of that process, the ESB would be a board of the commission.”

The Commission will be asked to appoint a new member to the ESB.

**High School Liaisons:** Alex Terrasavage introduced herself to the members in attendance and stated how excited she was to be part of the ESB. There was discussion regarding possible projects that Alex could work on, one of which was the Energy Camels.

### **Commission Business**

**Pay-As-You-Throw:** As one of the ESB members assigned to the PAYT committee, Andrew advised the most recent meeting was a positive one. The committee is writing a report that will be presented to the Commission later this summer. Waste Zero provided an unsolicited proposal to the municipality guaranteeing savings. The proposal, however, cannot be accepted since no RFP was issued.

**Recycling Cans in the Parks:** Tom Kelley, Public Works Director, has researched various containers for cost and durability and is awaiting funding.

**Artificial Turf:** Kathy explained that a presentation was in progress at Mellon Middle school and several of the ESB members were in attendance and would report back at the next meeting.

### **ESB Business**

**Project Updates:** Patrick reported briefly that he would have a proposal for the transportation project by next week and will email it.

### **New Business**

**Meeting schedule:** Kathy stated that she wanted to talk about the meeting schedule for the coming year and under what circumstances a meeting could be changed, but wanted the entire board in attendance.

**Parks Summit:** Kathy advised that the Parks Advisory Board has invited the ESB to a Parks Summit scheduled for July 1.

**Adjournment:** At 8:26 p.m. Andrew made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Patrick and unanimously approved by the members present.