

Mt Lebanon Environmental Sustainability Board
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2015

- **Call Meeting to Order**

Roll Call:

Attendees:

Andrew Baram, Co-chair
Patrick Eberz
Pam Scott
Abby Lawler Morycz
Maria Joseph
Ian Brown
Bonnie Cross, Staff Liaison

Absent:

Michael Kurosky

- **High School Students:**

- **Public Comment**

Dana Riley (?)

- **Approval of April, 2015 Minutes.** Pam motioned to approve the March minutes; Patrick seconded. All members in attendance approved.
- **Guest Speaker** – Tom Hoffman from the Sierra Club presented a short film on the Clean Rivers Campaign to promote green infrastructure strategies related to sewer problems.
- **Commission Business**
 - **Public Works Director Interview process update.** Bonnie stated that the process is moving ahead and there are some viable candidates.
 - **Pesticide Notification Update.** On hold.
 - **Recycling in Commercial Districts and in Parks Update.** The new recycling containers have been placed in the commercial districts.
 - **Pay as You Throw.** Is on the May 26 Discussion Session agenda.
 - **Report on Plans for Parks or Other Areas.** Kelly reported that the plans for 15 flower beds will be revamped from annuals to deer-resistant perennials. Kelly also reported that Sandy Baker was in Mt. Lebanon for four days. She had various, well-attended workshops and attended Earth Day.
- **ESB Business**
 - **Project Updates based on ESB Priority List – 2-1-14.** Andrew polled the members to ascertain whether the ESB should put its effort toward a specific endeavor or continue with individual projects. Patrick suggested that a team approach to further green storm water efforts be undertaken by the group. Maria voiced that it would also provide an opportunity to work with other boards.

Andrew also told the board members that he had decided to remain on the board. Given that the ESB had 7 members, a chairperson and co-chairperson needed to be elected. Maria nominated Andrew for Chairperson and Abby seconded. Pam nominated Patrick and Ian seconded. A 4-2 vote was taken in favor of Andrew.

Next, the co-Chairperson was elected. Pam nominated Patrick and Michael seconded. Patrick was elected in a 6-0 vote.

- **Environmental Team Update.** None.
- **High School Liaison Update.** Abby reported that KDKA news had reported on the High School composting effort and also that the Governor had sent a letter commending the district for composting.
- **New Business.**
 - None.
- **Adjournment.** At 9:20 p.m., Patrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Abby and unanimously approved by the members present.