

UPPER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES JANUARY 17, 2022

- 1) The January 2022 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Chairman Nathan Pritchard.
- 2) Roll Call
 - a) Council members present were:
 - i) Nathan Pritchard, Brian Sayago, Anton Shannon, Michelle Martin, George Hasker, and Frank Hirst.
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance
- 4) Upon motion by Mr. Sayago and second by Mr. Pritchard the Council approved the November 15, 2021 and December 20, 2021 Minutes. All members voted yes.
- 5) COURTESY OF THE FLOOR
 - a) Two members of the public were present – Scott Sylvainus and Kristin Mullen. Neither had any questions.
- 6) OLD BUSINESS
 - a) The EAC discussed its draft By Laws. It is unclear if By Laws are necessary or required. Mr. Pritchard will contact Jason Smith at Bushkill Township, Sherry Acevedo at Northampton County, and Rebecca Kennedy at PEC staff to gather additional information on this topic.
 - b) Mr. Pritchard noted that EAC member Michelle Marin had been reappointed to the Council by the Board of supervisors. Her term will be three years ending 12/31/25.
- 7) NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Mr. Pritchard moved to name Mr. Shannon as vice-chairman, Ms. Martin seconded. The Council voted five to zero to approve Mr. Shannon.
 - b) Mr. Hasker moved to name Mr. Sayago as Secretary, Mr. Shannon seconded. The Council voted five to zero to approve Mr. Sayago.
 - c) The Council noted that Mr. Pritchard had been designated Chairman by the Board of Supervisors.
 - d) The EAC conducted a pro forma test of the Open Space Criteria Evaluation using the Gracedale property is the test property.
 - e) The Council was satisfied that the results accurately reflected by real property.
 - f) Mr. Sayago moved to adopt the Upper Nazareth Township ranking sheet as the official methodology for the EAC. Mr. Hasker seconded. All voted to approve.

- g) Copies of the Gracedale pro forma results and a Ranking Template are incorporated into these Minutes.
 - h) Ms. Martin left the meeting to attend to other business.
 - i) Previously, Mr. Pritchard had attempted to contact a representative of the owner of a parcel of land in the township. In order to maintain confidentiality we have designated this as Parcel #1. Mr. Pritchard did not receive a response from the representative. The Council decided to again attempt to contact the representatives and inform the representative that the Township was interested in purchasing the land. Mr. Pritchard will write a letter.
- 8) The next meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2022 (Presidents' Day) at 6:30 p.m. at the Township building.
- 9) ADJOURNMENT
- a) Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Hasker, seconded by Mr. Sayago and approved by the four members present. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Sayago Secretary