

**Wallace Township Environmental Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, January 17, 2006**

**7: 00 PM to 9:00 PM
Old Indiantown Schoolhouse**

Charter Members In Attendance: Mary Ann Zeiders, Anna Marie Guglielmo, Greg Hufnagel, Andy Leitzinger, and Beth Carpenter

Guests In Attendance: Craig Kologie (Town Engineer), Skip McGrew

Mary Ann Zeiders called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

I. Approval of Minutes: Approval of the November EAC minutes was tabled to allow sufficient time for EAC and guests to review revised Hankin Plans.

II. Old Business: Discussion of Old Business was tabled until the next EAC meeting to allow sufficient time for EAC and guests to review revised Hankin Plans.

III. New Business: Members of the EAC, Craig, and Skip reviewed some of the questions prepared by the EAC for the postponed public meeting with Hankin that had been scheduled for 12/14/05.

A. Review of Revised Hankin Plans:

- Revised Open Space Management Plan/ Sheet 12 of 60:
 - What is the meadow management plan? Will the meadows be planted with native vegetation? **Craig: Hankin still needs to prepare this.**
 - Will there be woodland mitigation and/or management? **Craig: Hankin still needs to prepare this.**
 - What are the prescribed Low Impact Development (LID) techniques being implemented? **Craig is working on this.**
 - EAC would like to review the basin naturalization plan to determine meadow management, bird bat box usage, pesticide/herbicide management.
 - Meaning of “utilities” is unclear. **Craig: EAC needs to see new Open Management Plan.**
 - What is definition of “extent feasible”? **Craig: EAC needs to see new Open Management Plan.**
 - Object to provisions to cut all native invasive vines (native grape, Virginia creeper, poison ivy). If do so, what is left in hedgerows? **EAC needs to write letter to Natural Lands Trust expressing concerns re: elimination of native invasive species such as poison ivy, ground vine, etc. which provide habitation and cover. Skip: EAC should also voice these concerns at next public meeting with Hankin.**
- Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan/ Sheet 20 of 60:
 - Sediment traps should be installed within basins rather than having just an open basin. **Greg Hufnagel: Hankin is working on this and Craig Kologie is overseeing the process.**

- Only a few storm water management systems shown.
- Has Township's Engineer assessed E&S Plan? If so, what are the plans to make sure the various phases are in balance? **Craig: The details aren't currently available but Craig will review them when they are available.**
- Revised Storm Water Management Plans (Sheet 13 of 65 on revised Hamilton Plans):
 - Basin #4: Contact Craig (town engineer) re: impact of this basin on the immediate hydrology of the Spring. EAC requests study of soil permeability to determine if soil is able to infiltrate storm water. **Craig: Basin #4 is not an infiltration system. Each basin will be evaluated separately to ensure it meets water quality volume. EAC recommends that basin #4 be smaller and basin #3 larger. NLT recommends breach of pond dam to maintain water quality.**
 - Emergency discharge waste water load to the stream has to be calculated (Ask Municipal Authority re: NPTE permit) **EAC: The discharge system will have to be designed to meet discharge requirements. Recommend dumping emergency waste waters into a basin for untreated effluence instead of into the Brandywine. The EAC would like a definition of "emergency" and what engineering safeguards are going to be installed to protect the Creek's high quality definition. EAC will write letter to Municipal Authority's engineer, Dan Shoemaker, expressing these concerns.**
- Additional recommendations:
 - **Eliminate Basin #7 and have all discharge go to Basin #10**

B. EAC letter re: revised PW6 impact on bog turtle habitat for BoS signature:

Andy volunteered to complete the letter and send it to the BoS for review, signature, and mailing

C. Woodlands Preservation Ordinance Task Force:

Mary Ann explained that a task force needed to be formed to shepard the Vision Partnership Grant through to its completion of Woodlands Preservation Ordinance. Mary Ann volunteered to chair the task force, Beth volunteered to be Secretary, and Anna Marie volunteered to represent the EAC. Additional members to the task force that need to be recruited are representatives from the Parks Board, the Trail Comm, the Planning Comm, the BoS, and the Wallace Trust. A meeting with the grantor was scheduled for the following day.

IV. The meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

Prepared and respectfully submitted by,

Beth Carpenter
January 21, 2006