West Reading Environmental Advisory Council 500 Chestnut Street West Reading, PA 19611 610-374-8273 E-mail: eac@westreadingborough.org



MEETING MINUTES November 16, 2020

Members Present

Council Members Patrick Kaag, Samantha Kaag and Ryan Lineaweaver; Resident Brian Adams and Jim Keller; and Borough Manager Nicholas Imbesi

Visitors

None

Call to Order

Patrick Kaag called the Zoom meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Mr. Lineaweaver and seconded by Ms. Kaag to approve the minutes of October 26, 2020. Motion carried.

Community Garden

- Mr. Kaag shared that the garden will be closing soon due to the cold weather.
- Mr. Adams shared that he was recently at the garden and there are only three more plots that have to be cleaned out.
- Mr. Kaag shared that the search for borough land to have the garden at continues.
- Mr. Adams shared that a sink was added to the garden so people could wash their hands and rinse off tools.

Borough Hall Decorations

• Not much information was given concerning this item other than there are plans to decorate the hall with items that were non-religious.

General Discussion

A general discussion took place about the scope of the EAC and what the mandate of the council is.

Give Thanks Tea Lighting

- It was shared that this event should fall under recreation, and the council didn't want to take any action on it.
- Mr. Adams shared that he has been in communication with Helen Moyer and that recreation would be working on the event.
- Mr. Adams shared that he has reached out to Mark Radcliffe concerning this event on Penn Avenue. He also shared that the dates are set for the event.

New Business

- Mr. Adams shared that he has been talking to the Schuylkill River green ways NHA group about the fishing dock. They are very interested in helping the Borough to revitalize the dock area at no cost to the Borough. Mr. Adams is currently trying to schedule a Zoom call with the executive director of the group.
- There was a brief discussion on the Ready for 100 program and seeing if it was worth our time to revisit the topic. It was noted that committee members should study the program so it can be discussed next month.
- Mr. Keller spoke about placing solar panels on the borough buildings. He requested copies of the electric bills to see if its feasible.

Update from Council

No update at this time.

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, December 16, 2020 at 6:00PM