

# **PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD (E.A.B)**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 16, 2012**

The Plymouth Township Environmental Advisory Board held its meeting at the Plymouth Township Municipal Building at 7:00 pm, in the Engineering Conference Room A. All members were present except for Barry. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Discussion with Caroline Wallace and Drew Gilchrist from DCNR Southeast office- cover 5 county area**

Increasing funding every year for trails. Fund trail feasibility studies, engineering studies, fund acquisition, easements, and train design and construction. Funding round is coming up April 2013; info comes out in November

Priority in trails – Statewide (50 miles or more); 10 mile or more trails (such as Cross County Trail), and lastly local trails (like Radnor trail)

Typical grants – 50/50 split

Brandywine Trust has been contacted. Discussion with Danella should be next on the docket.

Work on the pieces to make sure they are place before the feasibility study.

Timing – the deadline is April 2013; project needs to be ready to go. Review by fall. Will need to get an approval for an RFP.

Need support from Whitemarsh, developers, people working with the township on the project. Like to see partnerships. Traffic study could be part of feasibility study funding.

The difficulty of crossing Germantown Pike was discussed.

February 6, 2013 – meeting in Conshohocken with DCNR on how to apply for grants

William Penn Foundation – have donated much money to trails in the region

### **Old Business**

Go Green Award was presented to Gravers LP

Villanova Engineering Students at GPCC – looking at utilities, pumps, etc; will do an energy audit

HWP – looking at ways to generate funds to cover operating costs

Complete Streets – we would like it back on the agenda

Natural Gas – we need to speak to PECO; Rick will try to get copies of gas line map of township

### **New Business**

None

Dave made a motion to approve the minutes from July and August; Walt seconded.

Mike made a motion to close, Walt seconds.