

LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP
Environmental Advisory Council
August 14, 2023 MEETING AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order, 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Chairman – Chris Sacchi

Vice-Chairman – Rob Spampinato

Secretary – Jack Breiner

Member –David Bonette

Member – Ellen Iobst

Member – Becky Short

Parks & Recreation Commission Representative – Reporting by LMT Staff

Member - Planning Commission Representative – Reporting by LMT Staff

3. Announcements / Communications

- 3.1 Canceled July meeting for traditional lull in summer activities.
- 3.2 Planting plan for Fall. Consider locations, possible date(s), plants to buy from Octaroro Native Plant Nursery, need tree tubes, stakes, etc.
- 3.3 MS4 and water-related issues – LMT Priority – Zach Graves report on MS4 activities.

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

June 12, 2023

5. Committee Matters

5.1 Planning Commission – Nathan Jones, Director of Planning and Community Development

5.2 Parks & Recreation

5.3 Open Space & Natural Resources

5.4 Land Use

5.4.1 Parks/Open Space Inventory & Plans for Development - Ellen

5.4.2 Trees – Chris Sacchi and Rob Spampinato

- Recommended Tree List for the Planning Commission
- Fall Tree Planting Event - Location, Proposed Dates, Size of Trees, Species of Trees (depends on location), purchase tree tubes, stakes for new planting and to supplement protection for 2022 plantings.
- Report on tree survival at 2022 Fall Planting Site at Teva Circle (Attached table).

5.4.3 Penn’s Meadow & the Brandywine Swale Comments - Becky, Dave & Ellen

5.4.4 Resident Land Use - Status of township policy for commending Lower Macungie Township residents for using their property to promote and protect our environment.

5.5 Storm Water Management

5.6 Community Education & Awareness Including MS4 Activities (Facebook, LMT Township Newsletter, and others)

5.6.1 Community Education Session - Status of township policy for an EAC member to organize an educational speaker and/or workshop. Lead time for proposing an event.

5.7 Climate Action Plan: LMT Sustainability Report - Waiting for Final Report

5.8 Bird Town.

6. Other Business

6.1 Enhancing the median at the township center entrance with several large containers filled with flowering plants which would make the entrance attractive and welcoming.

6.2 Concern about PennDOT use of herbicides along LMT roadways (Cedar Crest and Little Spur).

8. Adjournment

2022 Teva Circle Fall Plantings -= July 10, 2023 Assessment	October 2022 Planting
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Common name	Species name	Live	Dead	% Surviving
Red maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>	2		
Pawpaw	<i>Asimina triloba</i>	0	1	
Ironwood	<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	1	3	
Catalpa	<i>Catalpa speciosa</i>	2		
Fringe tree	<i>Chionanthus virginicus</i>	3		
Yellow wood	<i>Cladastris kentuckea</i>	2		
Tulip poplar	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	2	2	
Blackgum	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	2	2	
Sourwod	<i>Oxydendrum arboreum</i>	2		
White oak	<i>Quercus alba</i>	4	1*	
Swamp white oak	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>	3		
Red oak	<i>Quercus rubra</i>	2		
TOTAL		25	9	74

Large trees		Live
Redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	1
Blackgum	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	1**

* = Survived winter, produced leaves, died due to drought
** = Suffered transplant shock - stem sprouts and root suckers still alive
Some surviving plants may have some live and some dead branches