

Upper Mount Bethel Township Environmental Advisory Council

Wednesday February 5th, 2024

7 PM UMBT Township Building

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm
2. **Roll Call : Present:** Alexandra Dutt, Judith Henckel, Allison Heinsohn, Dohl DiFebo BOS liaison David Freidman **Absent:** Courtney Gilmour
3. **Approve or Agenda:** The February agenda was reviewed and approved as presented by Dohl, and seconded by Allison.
4. **Approve January meeting minutes** – The January minutes was reviews and approved as presented by Dohl, and seconded by Allison.
5. **Courtesy of the Floor/Public** Comment - none
6. **Reorganize** – Courtney's appointment is up, and this needs to go on the supervisors's agenda.
7. **Old Business**

Plan Slate Belt Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan was passed. Upper Mount Bethel Township is the 8th partner. (<https://planslatebelt.org/>)

Slate Belt Rising Heritage and Art Map – Slate Belt Museum

- There is still a year to add data, it is working under a 3 year grant.

Wild & Scenic tributary study data progress

- Tom Gilmour is in the process of collecting data

Stream/road crossings signs work with MJWA

- Allison is looking at different samples for the signs

GIS programing status

- Jeff to talk to Stavros & waiting for info from Justin the Township Engineer.

EAC website or other outreach (GIS) – Revised UMBT website. Website pictures and other materials requested.

- Changes to the website are happening now

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By-Laws

- Details of the suggested bylaws were discussed including:
 - o Unexcused absences, member from the planning commission, issues with voting via email, the addition of a treasurer, written annual reports, etc.

Public Comment

- Charlie Cole brought up the well ordinance for discussion.
 - o Geoservices went to the sties to see how much resource was there for the future. The well ordinance will be voted on next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm