

Environmental Advisory Council

May 21, 2019

Attendance: Darryl Speicher, Sally Duffy, Patti O'Keefe, Kathleen Sandt

Absent: Jennifer Mittereder

Minutes Approval: The minutes of March, 2019 were approved.

Patti shared information on the EAC conference held at Skytop Lodge on May 18. This was an informative program showing how other EAC organizations assist their townships in protecting their environment while promoting the best interests of the municipalities.

Information was shared about the "lights out" movement in Europe which is demonstrating the international concern for climate change.

Updates were given on the continuing concern for pollution of the Brodhead Creek at Pine Hollow and at the old gas station near the Forks in Mountainhome.

The Forestry service and The Nature Conservancy are working together for acquisition of the former Castle Country Club property off Lower Seese Hill Road. This property would give Barrett residents access to State Forest land for recreation and also wildfire control. Updates to follow.

The EAC thanks the township for taking down the birch trees at the Gravel Preserve in order to maintain the open fields for wildlife habitat and blueberries.

Next meeting is on July 16, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Evergreen Community Charter School