

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
EAST WHITELAND TOWNSHIP
March 2, 2017

EAC members in attendance: Ginger Pohlman, Gary Sheridan, Veronica Holmes, Jon Buzan, Deb Watkins, Laura Paolella

East Whiteland Township residents in attendance: Keith Paul Hartman, Peter Fixler, Jennifer Meeker, Ken Meeker, Andrea Schran, Diane Chi, Jennifer Ruddy, Larry Stauffer, Kathleen Stauffer, Elizabeth Stauffer, Jenifer Murray

Other parties in attendance: Jonathan Spergel, Attorney for CDP; Stephen Brower, Consultant for CDP; Guy Wolfington, CDP

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by EAC Chairman Ginger Pohlman.

The minutes from the February 2, 2017 EAC Meeting were approved.

Update on the Bishop Tube Site:

- On 2/24/2017, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) submitted an amended list of proposed conditions for zoning relief approval. The amended conditions will need to be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors and the EAC.
- The East Whiteland Township Zoning Hearing Board meeting on 2/27/2017 has been continued to 3/15/2017.

Residents voiced concerns about the Bishop Tube Site:

- Concern that the \$20,000 to be deposited by CDP into an escrow account for the HOA will not be adequate to maintain vapor mitigation systems.
- How will air quality at site and surrounding areas be monitored during the soil removal process?
- Concerns about the restrictions on and the use of the emergency right-of-way at Village Way.
- Concern about potential TCE exposure specifically for children that will reside and play at this site if it is developed.
- If the site is developed, how will future public works employees, who may be digging up the site in areas with groundwater contamination, be properly trained and protected?

- Concern about what method will be chosen to remediate contaminated groundwater and how it will be put into effect after construction has been completed and people are living at this site.
- Concern about whether potential buyers will be properly educated about the history of contamination on the site.
- Concerns about items such as construction of tall retaining walls and possible tree canopy loss and their potential effects on runoff in sloped areas. In addition, concerns were voiced about the design of and future maintenance by the HOA of the stormwater system.
- Concerns about ease of vehicular access to the site under a deteriorating railroad bridge and about proximity of the site to an oil tank field.
- Concerns about how the public can have opportunities to interact with DEP and can best be informed about the latest news regarding the Bishop Tube site.

Action items:

- Representatives for CDP will share their financial analysis of the projected cost of maintaining vapor mitigation systems and how they arrived at the \$20,000 figure for the escrow account.
- In light of the amended conditions submitted by DEP, Jon Buzan (EAC) will speak with a DEP representative about DEP's proposal that CDP not proceed under the formal Act 2 remediation program and about how DEP plans to execute oversight of the Bishop Tube site remediation, including building demolition and design/installation of vapor mitigation systems.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.