

**Lower Mount Bethel Township  
Environmental Advisory Council Minutes  
Apr 13, 2026 6:30 PM**

Meeting held at:  
LMBT Welcome Center  
7701 Martins Creek – Belvidere Highway

Present: Bill Richards (BR), Robert Hart (RH), Bill Humphries (BH), Genevieve Terpstra (GT), Pat McInerney (PM)

Members of the public: Scott Fleck, Catherine Buehler

1. Addition to agenda and adoption of agenda
2. Minutes
  - BH motioned to accept Feb minutes
  - PM 2<sup>nd</sup> motion
  - Minutes approved 5 – 0
3. Correspondence and News Items
4. Data Center
  - J.G Petrucci Company and Peron Development held a town hall meeting at Bangor Middle School on April 9, to inform residents of their plans to construct a data center on the Martins Creek – Belvidere Highway. Talon and PP&L were also present for the discussions. The scope of the project is 450 acres, requiring a projected estimate of 1.2 gigawatts of power. The project will use a closed loop cooling system. The project spans from Del Haven Road and to Gravel Hill Road. An end user has not been identified, the project appears to build on spec. They stated the project is in an early phase, very little details are available. Many residents expressed their dismay on the project.
5. Gravel Hill Enterprises
6. Storm Water Issues
  - It appears the land was tiled on the hill of the Kiefer property, above the culvert that is slated to be replaced, on the Martins Creek – Belvidere Highway. The question was raised whether a permit is required.
7. Bio-solids
  - GT sent the survey to Melissa at the Township office, to be included in the Township newsletter. Melissa recommended to only include an explanation and QR code to take the survey.
8. MJWA Update
  - PM noted they are working with the Delaware River Basin reviewing permits for water use by Talon, who is looking to increase water usage and an increased outflow; PM noted the data didn't make sense, Talon responded the data was modeled, no actual measurements were performed.
9. Regional Watershed (WCLV) & EAC Network
10. NCCD
  - Move to Discussed as Necessary
11. Planning Commission
  - There have been no meetings in 2026 (Planning Commission meets as necessary)
  - PM and Sandra Newman plan to be added to the BOS agenda to discuss open space and zoning ordinance background
12. Warehouse Traffic/Front Street/River Pointe
13. Parks & Recreation
  - Farming at the Meadows

- RH discussed the subject with Megan and she stated the subject was already reviewed and found to be acceptable
- We reviewed the information RH brought forward regarding *Permanence of Parks and Other Public Open Space* article which does not support repurposing the land
- RH will draft a letter to the BOS to reconsider the decision and to use the various Township committees for help and guidance for future subjects such as this; PM recommended RH deliver the article to Megan tomorrow since the RFP was already issued.

14. Good of the Order

- A sinkhole opened up on the Martins Creek – Belvidere Highway, the road was closed and the sinkhole was subsequently repaired
- Motion to adjourn meeting by GT
  - PM 2<sup>nd</sup> motion
  - Motion approved 5 – 0