

**Mt. Lebanon Environmental Sustainability Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**February 13, 2020 - Room C**

- **Call Meeting to Order**

Roll Call:

**Attendees:**

Abby Lawler Morycz  
Nora Alwine  
Tim Reidy  
Natalie Uschner-Arroyo  
Andrew Flynn, Commissioner-Elect  
Bonnie Cross, Staff Liaison

**Absent:**

Bethany Foster-Wilhelm  
Sarah Levinthal  
Heather Wechter  
Hugh Beal, School Board Liaison

- **Public Comment.** None
- **Approval of January, 2020 Minutes.** Abby motioned to approve the January, 2020 minutes. Nora seconded and all members in attendance approved.
- **ESB Business**
  - **Public Space Improvement/Vibrant Uptown Project.** Commissioner Flynn reported on the Vibrant Uptown Leadership Meeting. He stated that one thing of importance is to have an ESB member on the Project Committee who has an architecture/sustainability background, this would ensure that the right questions are asked of the consultants as well as to validate or challenge any ideas as the design phase progresses. As Tim Reidy is a LEEDS certified architect, he will be the ESB representative.
  - **2020 Planning.** The Board brainstormed and questioned a number of topics. Members had reviewed the Climate Action Plan, but questioned what had been done since 2012. Questions also came up regarding whether the Climate Action Plan had anything to do with the 'Sustainability' section of the Comprehensive Plan. Bonnie advised that the Comp Plan was in larger part due to the Pennsylvania Municipal League's Sustainable Communities program. Mt. Lebanon received a silver certification in 2013.  
Additional questions came up regarding how the tree canopy is sustained and whether energy and fuel usage was tracked. Bonnie advised that while we had energy costs because of billing and budget, she doubted whether utilization was being tracked. Public Works has information on fuel utilization. Commissioner Flynn advised the Board that Rudy Sukal, Director of Public Works, would be attending meetings on a quarterly basis since a lot of what the Public Works department did related to sustainability. The Board would like to determine what should be measured and create a baseline of information, then track improvements going forward.
  - **School Board Liaison.** No update.

- **Commission Business.**
  - **Parks Plan.** The Board asked what was being done regarding the Parks Plan since the study has been funded. Bonnie advised that Ian McMeans, Asst. Manger, would be organizing it, but the process hadn't started. She said that she would have an update at the next meeting.
  
- **New Business.** No new business.
  
- **Adjournment.** Nora motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Bethany, and unanimously approved by the members present.