

# CAG Meeting Minutes

Eastwick Lower Darby Creek Area Community Advisory Group (ELDCA CAG)

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LDCA Superfund Site Community

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Location: Eastwick Recreation Center @80th & Mars

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Wednesday, April 4th, 2018 | 6:30 pm -8:00 pm

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*Meeting called to order by* Margaret Cobb

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## In Attendance

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Executive Committee, Working Groups, EPA, Senior Advisors, CAG Members, Members at large

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## Margaret Cobb

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Margie brought the meeting to order and everyone went around the table to introduce themselves. Margie gave a brief overview of the transition from the leadership team to the executive committee as well as the consolidation of the CAG working groups. A one page summary of the new working group background with details were provided. Margie also commented on the turn out for the meeting, there were 13 new faces at the meeting and Margie encouraged them to come back for future meetings.

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## Senior Advisor Leo Brundage

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Shared with the Team that he has been in touch with the community and he has 4 new members who would like to join the CAG and they will be at the next CAG meeting scheduled for June 18<sup>th</sup>.

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## Working Groups-Cheri Driver & Eileen San Pedro

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Cheri gave an overview of the working groups activities and reminded everyone that the next working group meeting is scheduled for 4/12/18 and she encouraged everyone to attend.

Eileen then spoke about the top issues that the working group is currently working on and it was mostly directed at the EPA's presentation of the 90% plan.

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## Ted Pickett

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Ted formally welcomed the 13 new faces and again encouraged them to come back for future meetings. Ted also spoke about an e-mail he received from Marion Cox reminding the CAG/EPA to ensure that all technical information was put in laymen's terms so that non-technical members can better understand and get a better grasp of the issues. Josh from the EPA responded in the affirmative that he would try his best to comply with the request and that he fully understood why this was important.

Josh gave an overall update of the project and covered many topics as they related to the Residential yard cleanup, Plans and schedules for the landfill, brief update on Folcroft and aquatic risk assessment as well as the Clearview groundwater investigations findings. Josh said that 92 yards were remediated since 2016 and there were approximately 50+ more to go. He gave a detailed status of Clearview Operable Unit 1 (OU1), OU2 and OU3. Josh also indicated that the remedial design likely should be finalized by June of this year. He has comments from the CAG and other groups and pending funding the landfill cleanup will likely start in late summer or early fall of 2018 and that the first phase is cleanup of the northern City Park and northern third (approximately) of the landfill, outreach and public meetings to address the community concerns, security and notification. Josh showed the phased areas and phase C will be done this year and the other phases are predicated on funding. **Josh stopped frequently to ensure that everyone understood the information and he answered everyone's questions I think to their satisfaction.** Josh went over specific statuses as follows:

- OU1 Clearview Led by EPA, Remedial design finalize June of this year
- OU2 status-no clean up by EPA, done by responsible parties. Remedial Investigation Report should be finalized in the summer or fall of this year.
- OU3 Landfill clean up Led by EPA/DEP, Draft Remedial Investigation report ready summer of 2018.
- There is no impact from contaminated groundwater to residential properties. All residents are on public drinking water that is sourced from surface water bodies. There are no vapors from the groundwater accumulating in homes.
- Sampling data from City property is shared with the City.
- Currently, there is no indication that funding for Phase 1 of the landfill cleanup will not be provided in 2018.
- Superfund sites are a focus of the current administration.
- Funding is a yearly request as the project progresses in phases.

**The CAG** requested that the Army Corp of engineers and the City attend future meetings. Michael Nairn will follow up with the Army Corp of Engineers.

**Marilyn Howarth** recommended that the community use raised bed gardens with imported soil and she also said that it is already a city directive to use raised bed gardens in the city.

**Earl** asked about access when the work begins and Josh said that it depends on where they are working. He gave an example of: If they are working in

the Northern part of the park there may need to be multi block meetings, text messaging, robocalls. This will be determined based on the EPA community involvement plan in coordination with the working group as Marilyn requested.

**Josh** then said that EPA was requested to meet with Parents of summer camp attendees in May at the REC center to talk about the upcoming cleanup work that may occur during camp and the general steps EPA can take to keep everyone safe. while work is going on. Marilyn asked that he talk to the working group first so they can coordinate those activities.

**Leo** brought up OEM and Josh said that they have an open line of communication with the OEM. (Office of emergency management.)

**Thomas McKeon** will be putting Josh's presentation on the CAG's website.

A visiting member invited all to attend a workshop on flooding and mold on April 23<sup>rd</sup> 4-6 at the Eastwick public library

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### Next Meeting

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June 18, 2018 6:30-8:00 pm at the Eastwick Recreation Center

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm