

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION 2018-78

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
PIPELINE TASK FORCE, SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES AND
RESPONSIBILITIES THEREOF, ESTABLISHING THE MEMBERSHIP
THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIZATION AND
MEETINGS OF THE TASK FORCE AND FOR THE FINANCIAL
SUPPORT THEREOF**

WHEREAS, the Township of East Goshen in Chester County, Pennsylvania, is a Township of the Second Class, and,

WHEREAS, there are currently nine (9) natural gas and/or hazardous liquid pipelines situated in East Goshen Township, and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 East Goshen Township Comprehensive Plan sets forth a number of Objectives that need to be accomplished, and,

WHEREAS, Objective 10.6 of 2015 East Goshen Township Comprehensive Plan reads as follows “Regulating pipelines to protect the land uses and environment”, and,

WHEREAS, for the foregoing reasons the Board of Supervisors of East Goshen Township has determined it to be appropriate to establish a Pipeline Task Force for the Township of East Goshen to provide advisory support and guidance to the Board of Supervisors.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of East Goshen Township hereby resolves as follows:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Township of East Goshen, acting by and through its Board of Supervisors, hereby establishes a Pipeline Task Force, which shall be governed by the rules and regulations set forth, setting forth the duties and responsibilities of the Task Force, establishing its composition and otherwise setting forth provisions for the establishment, regulation and guidance of said Task Force.

Section 1. Name

The name of the body hereby established shall be the “East Goshen Township Pipeline Task Force”.

Section 2. Duties and Responsibilities

The East Goshen Township Pipeline Task Force (hereinafter referred to as “Task Force”) shall have

the following duties and responsibilities:

1. Promote the public interest in the work of the Task Force.
2. Undertake review and assessment of regulatory and technical aspects of pipeline infrastructure affecting East Goshen Township.
3. Advise the Board of Supervisors and make recommendations on pipeline legislation (state and federal) and regulatory (PA PUC, FERC, PHMSA, PA DEP) matters.
 - a. Periodically review PA Session Information website for proposed pipeline legislation.
 - b. Periodically review FERC, PHMSA and PA PUC websites for new or proposed pipeline regulations.
 - c. Periodically review FERC, PHMSA and PA PUC websites for pipeline projects impacting East Goshen Township.
4. Cultivate relationships and network with other municipal governments and citizen interest/advocacy groups.
5. Perform such other duties as may be delegated to the Task Force from time to time by the Board of Supervisors.
6. Prepare objective (non-editorial) information releases about pipelines for public dissemination.

Section 3. Membership and Terms of Office

The Task Force shall be composed of seven (7) persons, each of whom shall be residents of East Goshen Township, and each of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Duly appointed Task Force Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors but, unless otherwise removed by the Board of Supervisors, shall serve for terms of three (3) years each, or until their successors are appointed; except that of the seven (7) persons initially appointed, three (3) shall be appointed for a one (1) year term, two (2) shall be appointed for a two (2) year term, two (2) shall be appointed to a three (3) year term. All persons appointed shall serve their full terms unless voluntarily resigned or removed by the Board of Supervisors, at the pleasure of the Board. Vacancies in this Task Force occurring otherwise than by expiration of the term shall be for the unexpired term, and shall be filled by appointment by the Board of Supervisors.

Section 4. Compensation

Members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for their services, but may be reimbursed for the expenses actually and necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their duties and in the conduct of the Task Force business, when such reimbursement is authorized and approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Section 5. Organization

The members of the Task Force shall annually elect their own Chairman and other such officers they shall deem appropriate and, all officers shall serve for a period of one year. Vacancies in any

office created by resignation or otherwise, including a vacancy in the office of the Chairman, even if occurring during the first year, shall be filled for the unexpired term by election by the members of the Task Force. The Task Force shall adopt rules and regulations for the conduct of all business within its jurisdiction.

Section 6. Meetings

Regular public meetings shall be held to conduct the business of the Task Force. The Task Force shall keep records of its meetings and activities and shall make an annual report to the Board of Supervisors of its activities.

Section 7. Funding

The Task Force may, with the consent of the Board of Supervisors, utilize any funds, personnel or other assistance made available by Chester County, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or federal government or any of its or their agencies, or from any other private or public sources. Accounting for the receipt of such funds and for the expenditure thereof shall be pursuant to such regulations as the Board of Supervisors may adopt. The Board of Supervisors may enter into agreements or contracts regarding the acceptance or utilization of such funds or other assistance as may be available. The Task Force shall submit a proposed budget to the Board of Supervisors during the regular Township budget process. Funds for the expenses to be incurred by the Task Force shall, at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors, be appropriated by the Board of Supervisors. The Task Force may expend monies for such administrative clerical, printing and legal services as may from time to time be required to, but its expenditures shall be limited to the amount of funds appropriated to it by the Board of Supervisors or otherwise obtained from other sources as set forth above and, at all times, expenditures of the Task Force shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors.

Section 8

This resolution shall take effect five (5) days after adoption and upon appointment by the Board of Supervisors of at least four (4) members of the Task Force.

(Signatures on next page)

ADOPTED, this _____ day of _____ 2018.

ATTEST:

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Secretary

