

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
October 8, 2008
7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, October 8, 2008, at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Chairman Jane Fava, Bryan Delmonte, Walter Wujcik and Ginnie Newlin. Also in attendance were Rick Smith (Township Manager), Bob Huebner (Park & Recreation Board), Don McConathy (Board of Supervisors), Susan Carty (Planning Commission), Dolores Higgins (Historical Commission), Trevor Conlow and Arthur Jones, resident.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Walter Wujcik moved to accept the minutes from the September 10, 2008 meeting as corrected. Ginnie Newlin seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed.
- Bryan Delmonte moved to accept the minutes from the September 24, 2008 workshop as corrected. Walter Wujcik seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. YMCA Trees – Rick reviewed the number of trees the YMCA is giving to the Township. The Park Board will get 110, the Conservancy Board will get 110, and there are 15 miscellaneous. It is Rick's understanding that the Conservancy Board wants to reforest the area in Applebrook at the corner of Paoli Pike and Line Road. Rick spoke to the Y about getting smaller trees. The Y has escrowed \$250/tree, which covers the cost of the tree, installation and tree tubes. The Y has a landscaper to plant the trees and has an 18-month guarantee on them. Rick explained the process the Conservancy Board would have to go through and how it would effect the results of the project if they want to use a different contractor. Rick provided a list of replacement trees for the Board to review. The Board approved the following:

- Red Oak – 10%
- White Oak – 5%
- Chestnut Oak – 5%
- Black Oak – 10%
- Shag Bark Hickory – 20%
- Bitter Nut Hickory – 5%
- Gray Beech – 10%
- The following will get 5% each:
 - Red Maple
 - Tulip Poplar
 - Sycamore
 - Black Gum
 - River Birch
 - Hazelnut
 - Ironwood

The trees should be 1 – 2 inch caliber. They will need tree tubes and tree mats. The Conservancy Board will prepare the plan and stake the locations. Jane will be notified when the installation will start. Walter moved to recommend the list as developed. Ginnie seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed.

b. YMCA Pavilions – The Planning Commission recommended that the Y should not use concrete slabs. Rick feels the Y understands the Board's concerns and will try to comply.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

- a. Trashcans – Jane reported that she used the recycle stickers on her trashcan and the hauler did put it with the recyclables. Rick reported that recycling is up 30% since the single stream collecting went into effect.
- b. Hershey's Mill Dam – Jane reported that this dam has been deemed a regulated dam by the DEP. This means that it must be repaired or breached. Tuesday, October 28, 2008 there will be a meeting with the engineer to discuss options.
- c. Budget 2009 – Jane submitted the budget for 2009 with the request for an additional \$1,000.

5. **SUB-DIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW**

- a. Sullivan's Grove – The Board reviewed the revised plans. Since Comcast is gone, the new plan has a normal cul-de-sac. The Board reviewed the planting list and made the following recommendations:
 1. Decrease the number of White Pines – use no more than 10. Use 12 deadora cedar.
 2. Don't use Zelkovia. Replace them with any other native hardwood.
 3. Use American Boxwood not Japanese.Rick will write a letter.
- b. CTDI – The building is done. Rick suggested a site walk in December when the leaves are off the trees. The Board members prefer a Saturday morning.

7. **BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS**

- a. None

8. **LAISION REPORTS**

- a. Park & Recreation – Bob reported that Saturday October 18, 2008 will be the Pumpkin Festival. At 12:15 p.m. on October 18, 2008, there will be a dedication ceremony at the new Veterans Memorial Pavilion in East Goshen Park. Regarding poison ivy in the park, Mark Miller is considering contacting Weeds for a proposal.
- b. Board of Supervisors – Don reported that the contract for the new sewer plant was awarded. It should be done in about a year. There are three lawsuits pending on the deer hunt.
- c. Historical Commission – The Commission is going to review the Hershey's Mill Dam proposal. Dolores thanked everyone who helped at Living History Day. Commission members will be assisting at the Paoli Battlefield on Saturday. The Commission is working with the Park Board on the Pavilion dedication.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- a. None

10. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Walter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ginnie seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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