

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
November 12, 2008
7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2008, at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Chairman Jane Fava, Bryan Delmonte, Walter Wujcik, Sandra Snyder, Scott Sanders and Ginnie Newlin. Also in attendance were Mike Merwin, Bob Huebner (Park & Recreation Board), and Dolores Higgins (Historical Commission).

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 October 8, 2008 meeting as corrected. Ginnie Newlin seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. E. Boot Road – The Board of Supervisors needs a cost for this project to put in their 2009 budget. Ginnie feels the Board needs to walk the area to decide how many trees are needed. Walter suggested \$5000.

b. Township Building Landscaping – Ginnie still can't find a landscaper or nursery, who wants to donate their time and materials for this project.

c. Hershey's Mill Dam – All solutions to this problem will cost about \$300,000. There are grants of about \$100,000 to help fund breaching the dam. Jane explained that "breaching" means to put a hole in the dam so the stream will continue to flow.

d. Ponds – Ginnie mentioned there is a group called "Ponds" that holds seminars several times a year. Jane gave Don McConathy the recommendations the Conservancy Board wrote several years ago. Also, she had a copy of the survey that was done in 2002 where 44% of responding residents wanted to rehab the 8 township owned retention basins. Dolores suggested that signs be put at these "ponds" explaining their purpose.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

a. Included in Old Business.

5. SUB-DIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

a. None

6. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

a. Walter reported that the Sewer Authority has hired a contractor. They put fencing around the sewer plant site which will be inspected the end of this week. If it passes inspection, the construction will start.

b. Walter mentioned that there is an Eagle Scout project that will start this Sunday, November 16, 2008 in Ashbridge. They are installing a riparian buffer along the stream.

c. Walter reported that the deer hunt so far has killed 30 deer. Bryan has the websites of the hunting groups where you can purchase venison.

d. Ginnie asked Mike to send Hershey's Mill a copy of the survey showing the property line between Devonshire Village and Angelini. There is a dispute and he is starting to encroach on Hershey's Mill property.

7. LAISION REPORTS

a. Park & Recreation – Bob reported that the Pumpkin Festival and Veterans Memorial Pavilion dedication were reviewed for any suggestions for future reference. The Board started to work on their goals for 2009. Mark's crew has removed vines from 50 trees in the park.

b. Historical Commission – The Commission is still looking at solutions to the Hershey's Mill Dam proposal. They want to gather as much information as possible to make the best decision.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

a. None

9. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Walter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sandy seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary