

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING  
October 14, 2009  
7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, October 14, 2009, at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Chairman Jane Fava, Bryan Delmonte, Mark Kawecki, Sandy Snyder, Walter Wujcik, Ginnie Newlin and Scott Sanders. Also in attendance were Mike Merwin, Bob Huebner (Park & Recreation), and Joe Zug (Historical Commission).

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Jane called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. **REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ginnie moved to accept the minutes of September 9, 2009 as corrected. Walter seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed.

3. **EXPENSES**

No report

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Buffer - Ginnie wrote letters to the Planning Commission and Board of supervisors proposing that the riparian buffer be increased to 100 feet. Ginnie, Jane and Bryan attended the Board of Supervisors workshop last night. Rick Smith distributed maps that showed the areas where this would apply. However, it was pointed out that this would also impact re-development. Marty asked that the Planning Commission review the proposal.

B. "Y" Trees – The Board of Supervisors asked for a report. Jane provided a report that listed the concerns the Conservancy Board had with the contractor.

C. East Boot Road & Township Building Landscape projects – At the Board of Supervisors Workshop last night, Ginnie, Jane and Bryan attended the meeting and got approval from the Board of Supervisors to get the \$300 plan from Tony DuFour of Wm. D. Wells Landscaping.

D. Pavilions at the "Y" – Board members made a site visit and took pictures. The amphitheater is in a clearing near the water. It is not a "structure" and can easily be removed and put back in place. Mike mentioned that Mark Gordon is checking the land development plan regarding this. Bryan mentioned that Rick stated that the wood chips provide stability. Jane mentioned that the Board of Supervisors asked for recommendations from the Conservancy Board. Ginnie will write a letter stating that the Board wants the understory replaced using native plants.

E. Newsletter – Ginnie complimented Bryan on his article.

F. Grasses at Reservoir Road – Board members did a site visit with Brian O'Neill of Weeds, Inc. This is clump grass, which will fill in all spaces in 2 to 5 years. Brian gave the Board recommendations for cutting the grasses.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Budget – There will be no budget for 2010. Jane and the Board started to make a list of items that will need to be paid.

B. Thorncroft Drive – A resident from Hunt Country called Rick. The Civic Association maintains the entrance and is not satisfied with the trees and ground cover. They would like recommendations from the Conservancy Board. Scott is familiar with this entrance and recommends that they remove the flowering crabapple trees and replace them with conifers and mulch. He will get in touch with the resident.

C. Natural Lands Trust – Bryan reported that Thom Clapper is the township representative on COG (Council of Governments). The NLT has a grant to work with municipalities to manage invasives. There will be a meeting at the East Goshen Township Building at 10:00 am on October 21, 2009 to discuss potential grant opportunities. Bryan and Ginnie will attend.

6. **SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT/LANDSCAPE PLAN REVIEW**

A. Sullivan's Grove, Greenhill Road – The Board reviewed the landscape plans for this 4-home development. The Board approved the list of plants/trees. However, Ginnie wants to know why they are removing the existing trees along Greenhill Road. Jane will write a letter also stating that the plan is incomplete because certain codes on the plan are not on the list.

7. **BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS**

A. None.

8. **LIAISON REPORTS**

A. Park & Recreation - Bob reported that the Pumpkin Festival is this Saturday. Sunday is the raindate. He walked Applebrook Park and Wentworth with Brian O'Neill of Weeds, Inc. Brian gave an estimate to treat the invasives at \$4,800. The Park & Recreation Board put \$5,000 in the proposed budget for 2010. The scout is planning to do a survey on park usage this weekend at the Pumpkin Festival.

B. Municipal Authority – No report.

C. Historic Commission – Joe reported that the Living History Day on September 19, 2009 was very successful. There is a newspaper article on the East Goshen website about it. This Saturday October 17 is the illumination and reenactment of the Paoli massacre.

D. Planning Commission – No report.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer  
Recording Secretary

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