

**AGENDA**  
**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP**  
**CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING**  
**May 12, 2010**  
**7:00 PM**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 14, 2010
- 3) CHAIRMANS REPORT
- 4) OLD BUSINESS
  - A. E. Boot Rd. Planting
  - B. Y Trees
  - C. Riparian Zone Ordinance
  - D. Budget
  - E. Grants
- 5) NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Potential Funders
- 6) SUB-DIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW
- 7) BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS
- 8) LIAISON REPORTS
- 9) PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 10) CORRESPONDENCE

**REMINDER** – Newsletter Article Submission Due Dates:

<b><u>Article Due Date</u></b>	<b><u>Delivery date</u></b>
May 12, 2010	July 1, 2010
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November 10, 2010	January 1, 2011

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP**  
**CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING**  
**April 14, 2010**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, April 14, 2010, at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Chairman Bryan Delmonte, Jane Fava, Ginnie Newlin, Walter Wujcik, and Scott Sanders. Also in attendance were Mike Merwin; Bob Huebner, Park & Recreation; Don McConathy, Supervisor; Joe Zug, Historical Commission; and Sue Carty, Planning Commission.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Walter moved to accept the minutes of March 10, 2010 as corrected. Ginnie seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed.

3. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

A. As a follow up to last month's comments about the clean up on April 15<sup>th</sup>, Ann Murphy inspected the trees at Reservoir Road and determined that they don't have to be done on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Next Wed. April 21<sup>st</sup> the trees will arrive and area marked for planting. On Thurs. April 22<sup>nd</sup> the trees will be planted.

B. The Board of Supervisors is forming a 501C3, a non-profit organization, to solicit and collect donations for the township. The first meeting will be May 20, 2010 and the Conservancy Board needs to provide a member. Jane volunteered to be a part of this group.

C. Goals for 2010 – Don confirmed that the Board does not have to give quarterly updates on their goals. Bryan did a comparison of the Conservancy Board Goals for 2010 vs the areas assigned to the Board in the Township's Comprehensive Plan. Four areas were discussed.

1. Pervious pavement – Jane explained that this is the preferred pavement now and developers must go through the County Conservation District. However, pervious is not appropriate in all cases. There was discussion about a possible grant for the extended pathway in Applebrook. Don explained that it is usually less expensive to just do the paving because of the extra requirements in a grant. Mike commented that 2 developments have used pervious pavement in parking areas and it is working well so far.

2. Serpentine – Ginnie feels this is an important project.

3. Scenic roads – Some roads (Reservoir Rd) may qualify. The Board will look at this in the future.

4. Review the Township Open Space and Recreation Plan of 1993. Try to get a grant for this.

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. East Boot Road – Bryan contacted Wells who said he will fix the plants that have fallen over. Ginnie wants to do another walk through and only let him install a sign when everything is done right.

B. "Y" Trees – Jane will walk through to inspect the trees. She feels that part of this area should be enclosed, as suggested in the NLT report. This will show what a woodland would look like. Bob reminded them that Mark Miller is supposed to mow around the trees so they won't be choked by the grass.

C. Riparian Zone Ordinance – Everyone was provided with a copy of the letter Ginnie wrote to the Board of Supervisors giving reasons for the increase to 100'. Ginnie reported that it was brought up at the Planning Commission meeting last week and the Conservancy Board was encouraged to continue pursuing this.

D. Budget – \$60 was paid to the PA Environmental Council.

E. Grants – Jane reported that Holly at the Natural Land Trust said it won't be done until mid-May. Jane said it will not be too late to spray then. The area in Applebrook that was already cleaned out had no plan for the future. She feels grass seed should be planted to keep invasives from growing back. Bob said Weeds Inc wants to see what is there before they spray. Jane feels the Conservancy Board and Park & Recreation Board should meet and develop a 5 year plan.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. When the Board reviewed the Tree Ordinance last month there was a question about permits. Bryan contacted Mark Gordon about this and the wording has been changed to clarify that all permits are acquired through the Zoning Officer. After review of the new wording, Walter made a motion to approve the changes and forward the revised document to Mark Gordon and the Planning Commission. Ginnie seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed.

B. The Board reviewed the National Lands Trust report and their recommendations as follows:

1. Page 9 – European Adlers – Bryan said there is a good stand of these about 100' long. However, Jane said there are some good trees mixed in with them. Bob suggested that ribbons be used to mark the salvageable trees/shrubs. It was decided that the area along Paoli Pike where the purple lustrife is located should be sprayed first.

2. Page 11 – Water Quality – The 100' buffer should be marked in Applebrook. Ann Murphy told Bryan there is \$300 for spraying invasives in the Tree Vitalize Grant. The Board decided she should use it in the Reservoir Road project.

3. Page 12 – Native Habitat Restoration – A mowing regimen needs to be planned. Bryan suggested doing a meadow project in phases. The temporary storage area will probably be gone after the trail is done.

4. Page 14 – Serpentine Barrens restoration plan is a big project and would probably require a grant. Ginnie reported that an area in Hershey's Mill was restored and the Board should contact them to see it. Wildlife – Bird boxes need to be maintained/cleaned each year. Ginnie suggested using dead trees for nesting instead of boxes.

Hazards – The Historical Commission determined that the farm building is not historical and should be removed as suggested by NLT report. Some dead trees should be preserved for bird nesting.

5. Page 15 – Education – Bryan will get new posters to post in the parks. The Board feels that labeling the new trees would be good.

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

A. None

7. **BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS/COMMENTS**

A. Walter asked Don about the Sunoco station at Boot Road. Don reported that Sunoco is doing work on the underground well for contamination by a spill in 2006. It did not spread to the nearby residential area. Mike said a shed will be installed for an air recovery system. The process should take 2 years.

8. **LIAISON REPORTS**

A. Historical Commission – Joe reported that June 5<sup>th</sup> is Living History Day and they need volunteers. On page 75 of the East Goshen book, there is a photo of some residents with the Honor Roll Board. The Honor Roll Board lists WW II veterans and is from about 1945. Gary Althouse was doing an inspection on a dwelling in Milltown and found it there. The real estate agent said the Township could have it, so it is now the property of the township.

B. Park & Recreation – Bob reported that they will discuss active/passive definitions and the NLT report next month.

C. Planning Commission – Sue reported that at their last meeting Chuck Olivo from Malvern Bank was there regarding the YMCA. Technoplast was approved and 2 requests for signs were denied.

D. Board of Supervisors – Don reported that they will discuss the Deer Ordinance at the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. They agreed to have the consultant for the Hershey's Mill Dam do a new breach analysis and look at other options again. The Board is not going to Hershey this year. They are forming a Resident Advisory Board. Applications must be in by tomorrow.

E. Municipal Authority – Walter reported that construction is moving along. The contractor has requested a 3 month extension.

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 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer  
Recording Secretary

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**Smith, Rick**

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**From:** Stevens, Andrea [astevens@natlands.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2010 8:55 AM  
**To:** Rick Smith  
**Subject:** Funders  
**Attachments:** Potential Funders East Goshen 4-14-10.docx

Rick,

Ginnie and Jane reminded me last night that we had promised to include in our stewardship assessment a list of potential funding sources for stewardship projects at Applebrook and East Goshen Township Parks. I've attached this list - compiled largely by Dave Steckel, our Grant Writing Director. Would you mind sharing this with Ginnie/Jane and the Conservancy Board?

Thanks,  
Andrea

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**Potential Funders for Stewardship Projects at Applebrook and East Goshen Township Parks  
East Goshen Township, Chester County**

**PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)**

Contacts: Carolyn Wallis (215-560-1182)  
Fran Rubert (215-560-1183)

*Schuylkill Highlands Conservation Landscape Initiative Mini Grant Program*  
*Community Conservation Partnership Program*  
*PA Recreational Trails Program*

**PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)**

*Environmental Education Grants Program*  
*Growing Greener Watershed Grants*  
*Nonpoint Source Implementation Program (Section 319)*

**Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)**

Contact: Travis Thomason (610-696-0398, ext. 3)  
Chester County, West Chester Field Office  
*Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP)*  
*Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)*

**National Park Service and PA DCNR**

Contact: Schuylkill River Heritage Area (484-945-0200)  
Pottstown, PA  
*Schuylkill River National and State Heritage Area Grant Program*

**PECO**

Contact: Holly Harper, Green Region Program Administrator (610-353-5587)  
*Green Region Open Space Program*

**Chester County Preservation Partnership Program**

Contact: Judith B. Thomas (610-344-5656)  
Preservation Programs Coordinator, Chester County

**Wal-Mart Corporation**

**Sovereign Bancorp**

**Redner's Warehouse Market**

**FirstEnergy**

*Corporate Charitable Giving Programs*  
*Employee Volunteer Programs*