

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING  
May 11, 2011  
7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Vice Chairman Walter Wujcik, Ginnie Newlin, Adam Knox, and Sandra Snyder. Also in attendance were Mike Merwin; Bob Huebner, Park and Recreation; Sue Carty, Planning Commission, and Erich Meyer, Resident.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ginnie moved to accept the minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting, as corrected. Sandy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

- A. May 14 – The planting at Applebrook Park this Saturday will be rain or shine. Meet at 9 am. Bring gloves, spades and clippers. Sandy reported that CRC is lending some wading boots. Ginnie doesn't feel boots will be needed.
- B. Last week the Board of Supervisors met with the Chairmen of the ABC's asking for ideas to get more residents to volunteer.
- C. If the Hershey's Mill Dam can be declared an historic property, then the current issues will go away.

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. NLT – Conservancy Board members Ginnie, Walter, Sandy and Bryan visited Applebrook Park on Sunday April 7, 2011 to review the NLT recommendations on invasive plants. Bryan wrote a report which the Board discussed.
  - \* Ginnie did some research and found that the European and Black Alders are the same tree.
  - \* Sandy pointed out that Public Works is mowing through to the stream in some areas, not just 2 mower widths from the path.
  - \* Items regarding the 5 year plan the Board of Supervisors has requested were discussed:
    - \* Cost estimates – As the plan is developed, meet with Brian O'Neil to get estimates for removal of invasives and on-going maintenance to keep them under control.
    - \* Add a percentage for inflation each year
    - \* List the plants that will be used to fill in the areas where the invasives were.
    - \* What budget will the cost come from?
- B. Understory Plants - See Chairman's Report A.
- C. Bat Houses – No update.
- D. Bird Nest Boxes at Chester Creek – Mike reported that Public Works built 25 and installed 19.
- E. Conditional Use for 1422 Paoli Pike – Sue reported that the applicant has not submitted a plan for this property yet. They have a 60 day extension.
- F. Street Trees – Mike provided copies of Mark Miller's list showing the areas where street trees were removed and the type of tree but could not provide how many were removed. Mike believes the Township would replace the same type of tree, if they replace any. Right now it is up to the resident to replace the tree. The Conservancy Board wants to be consulted before any trees are replaced. The East Goshen Ordinance has a list of recommended street trees. Sandy feels that, in developments where the streets are named after trees, the residents will want those trees as replacements, i.e., Cherry Street will have cherry trees, Grand Oak will have oak trees, etc.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Tree Ordinance – Walter reported that Chester County gave 2 suggestions. The Board will accept one. Mark Gordon will make the necessary change.
- B. Chapter 102 Stormwater impact on riparian buffers – No report available.
- C. Cell Tower – The Board of Supervisors is having a public meeting on May 24, 2011, at 7 pm regarding possible locations for a cell tower.

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

None

7. **BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS/COMMENTS**

None

8. **LIAISON REPORTS**

- A. Park & Recreation – Bob reported that Ruth Scadding attended the 501.c.3 meeting to give them the Board’s wish list. The top item was a Community Day. The committee did not feel they would be able to raise the money by June 25<sup>th</sup>. However, the money has been raised and there will be a Community Day on June 25 starting at 4 pm with fireworks, bands, food, kids’ moon bounce, etc. Volunteers are needed. Another large item is a comfort station in Applebrook Park. Mark Miller hasn’t received a response on the meadows grant yet. Loretta Cohen wanted to have a Bike Fest for handicapped people in Applebrook. If there were 20 people, she would be happy. The Board approved her request for June 12, 2011. The Board of Supervisors gave approval to investigate a Farmers’ Market. Lisa O’Neill is working on this for the Board.
- B. Planning Commission – See “E” under “Old Business”.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- A. Sue mentioned that a group called 4CP, which is studying climate protection, has a presentation about the impact that climate change has on the environment. They want to know if Conservancy Boards would be interested in having an educational night. The Board thought this was a good idea. Ginnie suggested it be open to the public.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

- 11. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Adam 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 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer  
Recording Secretary

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