

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
January 11, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Chairman Sandra Snyder, Bryan Del Monte, Scott Sanders, Ginnie Newlin, Adam Knox, and Walter Wujcik.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Chairman noted that the minutes of the December 14, 2011 were approved as corrected.

3. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

A.

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Budget – Bryan reported that an invoice from Octararo Nursery was received and posted. The budget for 2011 was \$4900. Total expenditures were \$3,833.

B. Bryan planted the three remaining trees, 2 cypress and 1 black gum.

C. The wood chips have not been spread in Applebrook. Sandra will talk to Mark Miller.

D. A name for Reforested Area should be selected. The Historical Commission made a suggestion earlier this year. Scott feels the Board should find the suggested name and then consider names of people who owned the land.

E. Lion's Club – Adam made several calls but did not get a return call from them.

F. Scott reported that the purple boxes that were put in the trees to monitor the Emerald Ash Borer have been moved to public parks and camp grounds. People are coming from other areas and may be bringing the borer with them, so they feel these areas will have them first.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Annual ABC meeting – Sandy reviewed some of the other ABC reports. She feels the Conservancy Board members should attend more lectures and events (Ginnie is the exception to this as she attends many events). Sandy commented that the Historical Commission volunteered for the Chili Cook Off in West Chester. This is not a history based event but makes opportunities to meet people and recruit possible volunteers. Sandy will get some dates for the Board to take a tour of the Lanchester Landfill and the Recycling Plant in King of Prussia. She will also find out when Carmen Battavio is going to release honey bees in Hershey Mill. Ginnie mentioned that there are several lectures scheduled at Longwood. She will email the information.

B. Newsletter – Sandy said that Senya Isayeff suggested that the Board post an item on the Township website each month. It could be a notice reminding people of what they should do to their lawn or a warning about bugs. Ginnie had a few people comment about the Bat Facts that she put in the newsletter.

C. Sandy is going to ask Rick Smith for use of the WIFI in the township building. This will give people the opportunity to use their wireless devices to follow meeting agendas instead of using paper.

- D. Scott mentioned that he noticed lots of people working around the Smith property on West Chester Pike.
- E. Conservancy Board liaisons are as follows:
 - Planning Commission – Ginnie
 - Municipal Authority – Walter
 - Board of Supervisors – Sandy
 - Historical Commission – Bryan
 - Park & Recreation – Adam
- F. Scott is the consulting arborist with Penn State and the PA Dept. of Agriculture. Scott will be holding a seminar on Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012 at the West Goshen Twp. Building at 8 pm about the Emerald Ash Borer. He gave out signs to some of the Board members which stated “Burn it where you buy it”.
- G. There will be a seminar on “Wildlife in your Backyard” on Friday, Jan. 27, 2012 at Morgantown and Pottstown. The cost is \$40.

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

- A. None

7. **BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS/COMMENTS**

- A. Sandy thinks the Conservancy Board members should all have shirts and/or jackets with the township logo on them to wear while working on projects. This will signal that they are on official business. The cost will come out of the Board’s budget. Everyone agreed. The men would like long sleeve, button down collar shirts. Ginnie has 2 polo shirts that are much too big for her. Sandy will get costs for the next meeting.

8. **LIAISON REPORTS**

- A. Board of Supervisors – Sandy reported that the board is still taking applications for various ABC positions. Senya wants to form a committee to get grants for the Township. Online payments may be coming soon. The sign ordinance is being reviewed.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- None

- 11. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Adam seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer
Recording Secretary