

AGENDA
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES– July 11, 2012
July 31, 2012
3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
 - A. Budget
 1. Overview of July 2012 meeting–discussion regarding 2013 Goals/Monies needed
 - a. Decision by August 20–to Jon Altshul
 2. Budget Report for 2012
 - B. Letters Written
 1. John & Christina Vagnozzi–1408 Linden Lane
 2. Michelle Truitt–1430 Grand Oak Lane
 3. Darren & Colleen Golden–1411 Linden Lane
 4. Christa & Timothy Seefer–1401 Grand Oak Lane
 5. Karen Martynick–702 Sycamore Drive
 - C. Areas of Concern
5. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Clymer's Woods
 1. BOS–approval of new name
 2. Wood chips–Mark Miller
 - B. Newsletter article–submitted
 1. You, Me & Recycling
 2. East Goshen Bald Eagles–submitted by Nancy Hicks
 - C. Website articles
 1. Riparian Buffer
 2. Vegetation Management
 3. Bat Houses/Bird Boxes
 - D. Recycling Bins in and around township building
 - E. Pond Health
 1. Bruce Foreacre and Angie
 - F. Obtaining volunteers for our projects
 - G. Box in township building vestibule
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Smith Property/Goshen Meadows Site Walk–7/31/2012
 1. Updated tree species listing
 2. Removal of trees
 3. Recommendations to BOS

- B. Issues regarding survival/health of former plantings
 - 1. Reservoir Road/Supplee Valley Preserve—see photos
 - a. cages/deer prevention
 - 2. Clymer's Woods—see photos
 - a. dead trees/replacements
- C. Clymer's Woods
 - 1. Sign for reforested area with historical markers
 - 2. Mark Miller getting a price
- D. Contract with weeds to spray for invasive control was received and approved
 - 1. Brian called me on 8/1/2012
 - a. Will investigate the Elder—should be thinned out not eradicated
 - b. Wheat Canary Grass decision made to leave it there a few years ago—not aggressive outside the boundaries—it is better to leave
 - 2. Areas sprayed
- E. Discussing what is next for E. Boot Road now that it is cleared out
- F. Soil sample results for E. Boot Road
- G. Electronic Waste Collection Event
 - 1. Friday, Sept 7—9am—2pm at West Whiteland Township Bldg parking lot
- H. 2012 Household Hazardous Waste Event—Chester County
 - 1. Sat, Oct 13, 2012—Held from 9am—3pm at Government Services Center
 - a. E-waste accepted - see list on EGT website on attached flyer
- I. West Nile Virus identified in Chester County
 - 1. In mosquito traps
 - a. Montgomery County
 - b. Chester County—West Chester
 - 2. Mosquito prevention
- J. Central Chester County Bicycle and Pedesstrian Circulation Plan Workshop—to improve walking and biking in WC area
 - 1. Thursday, July 26
 - a. Open Walk Through 2pm – 4pm and 6–8pm and
Formal presentations at 3pm–7pm
WC Municipal Building
401 E Gay Street
West Chester, PA 19380
 - B. Weeds contract for approval
 - C. Scheduling a walk with Brian O'Neil for new spray areas and invasives
 - D. Discussing what is next for East Boot Road now that it is cleared out
 - E. Soil sample results for East Boot Road

7. SUB DIVISION LAND DEV REVIEW
8. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS
9. LIAISON REPORTS
10. PUBLIC COMMENTS
11. CORRESPONDENCE
12. ADJOURNMENT

DATES OF IMPORTANCE

Aug 7, 2012	Board of Supervisors	7:00 PM
Aug 8, 2012	Conservancy Board	7:00 PM
Aug 9, 2012	Farmers Market	3-7:00 PM
Aug 9, 2012	Historical Commission	7:00 PM
Aug 13, 2012	Municipal Authority	7:00 PM
Aug 16, 2012	Farmers Market	3-7:00 PM
Aug 20, 2012	Deer Committee	7:00 PM
Aug 20, 2012	Commerce Dev Commission	7:00 PM
Aug 21, 2012	Board of Supervisors	7:00 PM
Aug 23, 2012	Farmers Market	3-7:00 PM
Aug 30, 2012	Farmers Market	3-7:00 PM

Fall 2012 Newsletter:

Aug 1, 2012	Article Due Date
Oct 1, 2012	Website Posting Date

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

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Chairman Sandra Snyder, Vice-Chairman Scott Sanders, Virginia Newlin, Walter Wujcik, William Coffey. Others present: Carmen Battavio, Township Supervisor; Jon Altshul, Township CFO; and Erich Meyer, Park & Rec Commission.

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chairman noted that the minutes of the June 13, 2012 meeting were approved as corrected.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- A. Introduction of New CB member – William “Bill” Coffey
- B. Resignation of CB member Matthew Burns
- C. Sandy discussed the lack of attendance at meetings and at CB & township events. These are mandatory for CB members.
Saturday after all meetings (2nd Saturday of the month) starting at 9am all CB members need to leave this date available for CB walks and plantings.
- D. Budget Report – Jon Altshul – gave the board a budget update and explained how the goals for 2013 need to be linked with budget requests.
 - 1. All budget requests for 2013 goals will be discussed and given to Jon after the August CB meeting.
 - 2. The deadline for list of goals and budget requests is August 20th, 2012.
- E. Sandy will send a request to Rick Smith / BOS to have the reforested area in Applebrook officially renamed Clymer Woods – after George Clymer.
- F. Sandy will send an email to Rick Smith about the need for recycling bins in the offices and meeting rooms at the township building. Also, the ones that are in place need to be properly labeled to show the allowance of plastics and aluminum.
- G. Sandy asked someone to help write the Fall 2012 EGT newsletter article which will be due for submission on 8/1/12.
 - 1. Ginnie offered to write an article on Recycling. Ginnie will forward the article to Sandy for photo attachments prior to the 8/1/12 deadline and Sandy will forward on to the township for proper posting.

AREAS OF CONCERN

- A. Sandy discussed sending out Thank You notes on CB letterhead to any and all residents who contact the CB for any reason, letting them know that their concerns were received and that the CB is thankful to the residents for bringing it to their attention. Ginnie also mentioned that the CB should send out Thank You notes / letters to anyone (resident or not) who volunteers with CB events and plantings.

LIASONS

- A. Sandy Went over the CB list of Liasons –
 - 1. Ginnie – Planning Commission
 - 2. Sandy – BOS
 - 3. Bryan – Historical
 - 4. Bill – Park & Rec
 - 5. Walter – Municipal / Sewer Authority
 - 6. Scott – vacant
- B. Members from other ABCs who are the liaison for the Conservancy Board:
 - 1. BOS = Carmen Battavio
 - 2. Planning Commission - ?
 - 3. Park & Rec = Erich Meyer / Betsy Williams
 - 4. Historical Commission = Judy Schafer
 - 5. Sewer Authority

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Mark Miller was given permission to mow around the trees in the newly reforested area in Applebrook Park (Clymer's Woods). After mowing, he will lay the wood chips down.
- B. Sandy collected phone numbers and email addresses from all CB members and will email out the phone/email list to all board members and Carmen.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. East Boot Road – All board members like the way the area looks now that Mark Miller and his crew removed all dead trees and plant life and cleaned up the entire area. The CB will revisit planting this site at a later time, maybe when the soil sample results come back from Penn State University.
- B. Sandy will contact Brian O'Neil with Weeds and have a new quote faxed over to Rick Smith so that the quote can be approved and Brian w/Weeds can begin spraying the designated areas for invasives. The CB members will forward Brian any other areas of concern that differ from the normal areas he has sprayed from year to year.

SUBDIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT

- A. There has been approval for 64 EDU's (Equivalent Dwelling Units) in Goshen Meadows for the proposed development. The CB board will walk the site in the upcoming month with the people at Goshen Meadows to review the site plan. Several very old trees will be heavily affected by this development.

BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS:

- A. Ginnie – Ginnie did a mussel walk in Crum Creek and found some signs but not many that mussels were actively present in the creek. There will be more mussel events. They want to see if mussels would benefit from being in the Ridley and Chester Creeks.
- B. Bruce Foreacre responded to Ginnie about the ponds. Angie (who works with Bruce) will come out and look at the condition of the ponds on Reservoir Road. They will follow up with the CB to see what the next step should be to help restore the health of the ponds on Reservoir Road.

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2 **LIAISON REPORTS**

- 4 A. **Walter** – Sewer Authority report – The Lockwood Plant closed and they began backfilling the
5 ponds in. They have stopped treating and the facility has been drained. The area will be going
6 back to the residents of Lockwood Chase as open space. The sewage will be diverted to Ridley
7 Creek Treatment plant. A new design is in the works for Marydell Reserve and Hershey Mill
8 Estates (which currently flow to West Goshen's plant), to divert one of the two developments
9 into East Goshen's Ridley Creek Treatment plant. The open house date for the Ridley Creek
10 Treatment Plant is still undecided.
11 A. **Erich – P&Rec** – Community Day was a huge success, around 5500 people attended the event
12 both residents and non-residents. There were some minor issues with long lines for food, which
13 P&R will attempt to remedy before the event next year.
14 B. **BOS / Carmen Battavio** – The budgeting process is fully underway for 2013. The biggest
15 issue currently before the BOS is the Police Contract. Thornbury turned down the contract the
16 BOS offered, which included an indemnification clause and would have taken them through the
end of 2013.

17 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

18 None

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20 **CORRESPONDENCE**

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

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING**

**July 31, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for a special advertised meeting at 1325 West Chester Pike to walk the site on Tuesday, July 31, 2012. The Board of supervisors recommended that the Conservancy Board meet with the applicant and their consultants to review the Conditional Use Plans and the proposed landscaping and tree removal for the project and make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Conservancy Board members present for the site walk were: Chairman Sandra Snyder, Vice Chairman Scott Sanders, Bryan Del Monte, Ginnie Newlin and Walter Wujick. Others present: Adam Knox, Planning Commission, Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer and the following residents:

Tracie Dussell, 1325 West Chester Pike

Michael Lehmiche, 6 Reseroir Rd.

Steve DiAntonio, 4 Reservoir Rd.

Patricia Jerrett, 8 Reservoir Rd.

CALL TO ORDER

Sandra called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

1325 West Chester Pike, Conditional Use Application:

The Chairman opened the meeting with some brief comments on the purpose of the meeting. Mark Gordon gave a brief overview of the application and the process moving forward. Mark explained that the Conservancy Board is not typically involved at this point during a Conditional Use application however due to the number of large trees scheduled to be removed and the proximity of the new apartment buildings to the abutting single family residential homes the Board of Supervisors has asked the Conservancy to review the plans and provide the Board with a recommendation.

The applicant, Scott Fagan and his Engineer Dennis O'Neill, briefly outlined the work that has been done to assess the health and viability of the trees, as well as the engineering and planning to layout the parking and proposed buildings for the project.

The arborist for the applicant explained that he recently assessed the trees to be removed and has marked them with colored ribbons.

Pink Ribbon: Tree is damaged and or has health issues

Yellow: Tree is viable

The applicant will have a revised and accurate tree inventory for the Conservancy Board to review at the August 8th meeting.

The Board Members and attendees walked the site and reviewed the plans submitted asking questions of the applicants experts.

Numerous conversations were simultaneous and off the record. The Conservancy Board will discuss this application and the plans and make a formal recommendation to the Board of Supervisors at their meeting on August 8, 2012. Sandra adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Gordon
Township Zoning Officer