

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING**

August 13, 2014

7:00 P.M.

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at the East Goshen Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Walter Wujcik at 7:03 pm. Board members present were: Scott Sanders, Erich Meyer and Sandy Snyder. Others present were: Janet Emanuel, Township Supervisor; Jon Altshul, Township CFO; and Mark Gordon, Zoning Officer.

CALL TO ORDER

Walter led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Walter noted that the April 9, 2014 minutes were approved and the July 9, 2014 minutes were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2015 Budget – Jon Altshul passed around a memo regarding the provisions for the budget. The Board members discussed a fall planting with a budget of \$3,200.00. Jon asked the Board to turn in their 2015 Budget request by Sept. 10th. The Board will have to explain how the expenditures will be used. They should line them up with the Board's annual goals and Comp Plan goals.

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

1. 1662 E. Boot Road – Present were Jim Renehan, President & CEO of Renehan Building Group, Inc. and Nicholas L. Vastardis, P.E., Vastardis Consulting Engineers, LLC. Nick Vastardis presented the landscape plans and was accompanied by Jim Renehan. They discussed the septic systems for each property. Public water will be provided with underground utilities. Only the trees marked with x's are coming down. A total of 12 trees will be removed with about 246 inches of caliper. This does not include 4 dead trees. The Conservancy Board will send a letter to the Planning Commission prior to their next meeting. Scott Sanders will visit the property to check the trees that are marked for removal.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Fall Planting at E. Boot Road – The Board discussed a planting for the Fall and decided on Saturday, September 13, 2014 with a raindate of September 20, 2014. Scott will get a quote from Shemin Nursery for 13-16 trees with a pickup date of Friday, September 12. Scott volunteered to have someone dig the holes. The Board discussed volunteers. Scott will contact Adult Probation. Walter will contact CRC, Willistown Conservancy and see if there are any horticultural clubs in the area. Mark Gordon will contact Mark Miller to go over the needs of the Board for the planting.
2. The Board discussed how to recruit new members as there are only 4 members on the board now. Sandy suggested making a pamphlet for new members describing what the CB does and how to join. Also, she suggested making a welcome packet for new members with the tree ordinance, maps, etc.
3. 2015 Budget – The Board members discussed adding a line item in the budget for education. Mark Gordon mentioned that they can also use the "Administration" line item in the General Fund which is used for sending staff to conferences and for educational purposes.
4. Goals – Walter reviewed the memo from the Board of Supervisors with the 2014 Goals:
 - Review current Mission Statement. Erich found it and Walter will give it to Rick Smith.
 - Submit an article for each newsletter – done.
 - Make a sign for the rain barrel

- Investigate alternatives to recycling containers and provide the BOS with resolutions.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. Walter notified the Board that Bryan DelMonte has resigned. The Board appreciates all the work Bryan did during his time on the Board and wish him well.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Erich seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Snyder, Conservancy Board Member