

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
DEER COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
November 19, 2012**

The East Goshen Township Deer Committee held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday November 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the East Goshen Township building. In attendance were: Jim McRee, Chairman, Linda Polishuk, Matt Keating, Chuck Matasic and John Babiec. Also in attendance were Mark Gordon (Township Zoning Officer), and representatives from Keystone Archers – Mike Malinchak and Dave Kovach.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jim McRee called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for our troops.

Jim asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. There was no response.

B. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jim reviewed the minutes of the August 20, 2012 meeting and noted that the minutes were approved.

C. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. Jim mentioned that at the February 2013 meeting, a new Chairman must be selected. Also, he urged the Committee members to think about what they want to do in 2013. Jim had a table at Community Day just for information purposes. There is no funding for the 4-posters which cost about \$1,100/year. Mike suggested contacting the local Civic Associations.

D. COMMUNICATION AND EDUCATION

1. Matt missed the deadline for the latest newsletter. He will have something for the Winter issue.

E. DEER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

1. Mark reported that 15 deer have been harvested by the hunters so far, which is the total for last year. Nothing has been harvested in Grand Oak/Millcreek yet. The club reported seeing 8 deer but they were too far away.

Linda emailed the list of private homeowners interested in the hunting program to Brian Hoover.

Dave Kovach reported seeing hunters in the Ashbridge Preserve. Mike mentioned that the sign in Ashbridge has the name of a contact at Willistown. Mike commented that they met Al Tegler who is glad they are hunting. Mark mentioned that the property line issues with Mr. Tegler have been worked out.

Dave and Mike have both cleaned several bags of beer cans and bottles out of the open space.

Dave heard an ATV last weekend but feels it was in the Preserve or on private property in that area.

F. DEER VEHICLE COLLISIONS

1. The Committee members reviewed the reports. Chuck commented that cars kill more deer on the roads than hunters on township property. He reported that, just before the meeting tonight, a deer came across Paoli Pike by the CVS and was hit. Jim reviewed the Deer Vehicle Report which showed 43 incidents so far for 2012.

G. ANY OTHER MATTER

1. Dave Kovach mentioned that Ridley Creek State Park is planning to have the day of hunting.
2. Linda announced that she will be resigning from the committee. Jim thanked her for her help.
3. John will not be here in February.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held Monday, February 18, 2013. Chuck moved to adjourn the meeting. Matt seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary