

Agenda  
Park and Recreation  
Meeting  
Thursday, December 3, 2009  
7:00 PM

1. Call to Order(ask about anyone taping the meeting) /Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes-November 5, 2009
3. Review Expenditures
4. Staff Reports:  
  
Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation  
Mark Miller, Director of Public Works
5. Items to be discussed:
  - A. Willistown Conservancy Trust presentation
  - B. Applebrook sitewalk
  - C. Illegal parking issues
  - D. Yearly Goals
6. Correspondence & Reminder of Article Submission Date
7. Liaison Reports:  
  
Bob Huebner-CB  
Ruth Scadding-HC  
Phyllis Marron-BOS  
Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore-PC
8. Public Comment
9. Adjournment

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP**  
**Park & Recreation Board Meeting**  
**November 5, 2009**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Board was held on Thursday, November 5, 2009 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anne Marie Moore at 7:00 p.m. Other board members present were: Ruth Scadding, Bob Huebner, & Vicki Wooters.

Others present: Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation  
Ben Rohrbeck –Historical Commission  
Sue Ciorletti – Historical Commission  
Ruth Kiefer - Recording Secretary  
Arthur Jones - Resident

**1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Anne Marie Moore called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. MINUTES**

Vicki Wooters moved to accept the October 1, 2009 minutes as corrected. Ruth Scadding seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**3. EXPENDITURES**

The Board reviewed the expenditures.

**5. STAFF REPORTS**

A. Frank reported that programs are going well. For the New York City trip he has one bus full. There are usually two buses full at this time so he called the West Goshen director. The East Goshen trip costs \$45 and the West Goshen trip costs \$35. So, Frank feels we lost some people because of the difference in the price.

The Pumpkin Fest had to be postponed 3 times due to rain and was finally held on Sunday Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. There were about half the usual number of people there, but it was a beautiful day and everyone had a good time. The Ghost Tour and Hail the Heroes trip had to be cancelled because of lack of participation.

The newsletter will go to the printer on Wednesday. The last newsletter was delivered by the printer to the Post Office. However, it was not distributed by the Post Office in a timely manner and this hurt us in a couple of recreation activities and trips. The printer is trying to find out why. Vicki will reformat her article on activities in the township parks so it will fit in the next newsletter.

B. Mark reported that the materials have arrived for the automatic locks on the restroom doors. The expense for Lenni Electric was to replace the lights at the East Goshen Park entrance, which were smashed by vandals.

**6. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED**

A. Natural Lands Trust Stewardship Assessment – Mark said a site walk of Applebrook Park is planned for Wed. December 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Meet in the Chamber parking lot. Bob explained that Thom Clapper contacted the Natural Lands Trust. Their representatives, and Thom, Rick Smith, Bob, and Conservancy Board members, Jane Fava, Ginni Newlin and Bryan Delmonte, all met on October 21<sup>st</sup> to find out what the Trust could offer regarding invasive plants, etc. The Trust will get grant money to look at the invasive plants and wildlife in Applebrook Park. After the site walk, they will prepare a non-binding report in which they will give recommendations to the Township on how to manage these issues. The site walk will take 2-3 hours. Bob suggested that board members bring their ideas to the December meeting about how they want Applebrook to look and be used. Vicki moved to send the following in a letter to the Board of Supervisors: The Park and Recreation Board, with input from the Conservancy Board, recommends the township enter into a non-binding agreement, with solicitor approval, with Natural Lands

Trust to conduct a site walk of Applebrook Park and East Goshen Park and prepare a non-binding report on how to best manage these properties. Ruth Scadding seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**7. LIASION REPORTS**

Conservancy Board – Bob reported that the Board of Supervisors approved \$300 for Wells to do a plan for new plantings along E. Boot Road. In return, Wells will put a sign there and at the township building, and a note will be put in the newsletter. The Conservancy Board is pushing for a 100 foot buffer, which Bob feels will only effect redevelopment.

Historical Commission - Vicki attended the meeting. They discussed the historic home on Paoli Pike across from the Sunoco gas station. A Doctor has purchased it and wants to put in an office. Ben reported that a reenactment group approached the Commission about the possibility of having a reenactment in the East Goshen Park. Overflow parking would have to go into Applebrook. Ben explained that Brandywine Park did not close and is being managed by a private group. The State still maintains the historic buildings. There will be no large reenactments there unless attendees pay to come. So, they are looking for other options in case they need to go somewhere else. The Commission also discussed the road they have adopted to keep clean. Ben reported that a sign they had on Rt. 352 was destroyed. They want to replace it, install a 2<sup>nd</sup> large sign, and replace two other small signs at the historic area. Ben wants to keep the wording simple.

Planning Commission – No Report

Board of Supervisors – Mark reported that they met the last 2 Wednesdays to discuss the budget.

Municipal Authority – No report.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A. Art Jones said that he supports the work with the Natural Lands Trust and feels it will be good to have a “master plan” for Applebrook. He will contact the Willistown Conservancy to see if they can attend the December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting to discuss Applebrook.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE/REMINDER OF NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION**

A. None

**10. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS**

a. None

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Vicki Wooters made a motion to adjourn and Ruth Scadding seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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**To:** Park and Recreation Board  
**From:** Frank Vattilano  
**RE:** Director's Report  
December 3, 2009 Meeting

**Programs:** Programs are going well including aerobics, yoga, water walking, perfect 10, and computer training. The soccer clinic has concluded its fall session. We are taking one bus to NYC for Dec. 5. We were 12 people short on being able to pay for a second bus. Neighbor to Neighbor Day was our biggest and best yet- see the email I sent you. We had almost 40 volunteers and filled well over 100 leaf bags and cleared fallen branches on the properties of 3 elderly and disabled residents. Our East Goshen Wawa contributed free donuts and soft pretzels.

**Progress:** Have submitted the info for our winter 2010 winter newsletter. The YMCA is partnering with us in doing a water-based arthritis exercise class and an East Goshen Parents Night Out. Our slate of activities includes trips with West Goshen and West Chester departments to Cape Cod along with the Flower Show trip and Cherry Tree Blossom trip in DC. The Chester County Chamber of Business and Industry is unable to contribute to our Egg Hunt for 2010 due to fund-raising problems they are having. I met with Hank Belber of Applebrook Golf Club and he has offered the township \$10,000 toward a Community Day fireworks event if the BOS decides we are able to afford one. Since the total cost of the event would be almost \$20,000, it would leave \$10,000 for the township to contribute. We could try to raise funds to cover as much of that amount as possible. I am dickering with fireworks contractors on a better deal on the cost of the fireworks.

**Personnel:** Doing very well.

**Problems:** Minimal

**Permits:** No new ones

**Happy Thanksgiving**  
Frank V.

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP**

CHESTER COUNTY  
1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

November 2, 2009

**Re: Vehicle operation within Township openspace areas**

Dear property owner,

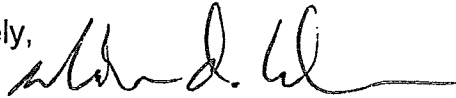
It has been brought to the Township's attention that All Terrain Vehicles (ATV's) are being operated within the Supplee Valley openspace areas. The operation of vehicles within township parks and openspace areas is prohibited pursuant to §163 of the East Goshen Township Code.

§163-3 Rules and Regulations

I. Vehicular restrictions. Parking or driving on park property is prohibited except in authorized areas. Unregistered vehicles of any kind are not allowed within park grounds without special permission from the Park Board except those vehicles used in the course of park maintenance or other necessary activity.

All properties which abut the openspace are being notified of this violation. If anyone should observe this activity I urge you to call the Westtown East Goshen Police Department immediately.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Gordon  
Township Zoning Officer

CC: Chief John Dumond, Westtown East Goshen Police

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November 20, 2009

Dear Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Lieberman Early and Company has submitted a Land Development and Conditional Use application for the owners of 1345 Enterprise Drive. The applicant is seeking approval to increase the parking area that serves the existing building, adding 64 parking spaces. No building expansion is proposed as part of this application.

Pursuant to Township policy, property owners and residents within 1000 feet of the subject property are notified of Zoning Variance applications.

**The meeting dates and times when this application is scheduled to be discussed are outlined below, and subject to change.**

### **Conditional Use Application**

**December 4, 2009** - Planning Commission meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 7:30 pm)

**January 5, 2010** – Board of Supervisors Hearing (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 8:00 pm) **Conditional Use Hearing**

### **Land Development Application**

**December 4, 2009** - Planning Commission meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 7:30 pm)

**January 6, 2010** – Planning Commission meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 7:30 pm)

**February 3, 2010** – Board of Supervisors Meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 8:00 pm)

All meetings are held at the Township Building and are open to the public. The plans are available for review during normal business hours. Please give me a call at 610-692-7171 or email me at [mgordon@eastgoshen.org](mailto:mgordon@eastgoshen.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Gordon  
Township Zoning Officer

Cc: All Township Authorities, Boards and Commissions