

AGENDA
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
December 9, 2015
7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 11, 2015
3. NEW BUSINESS

Pennsylvania Environmental Council Donation Request
Memo From Jon Altshul Regarding November 21st E-Waste Recycling Event Results
Online Resources Dealing With Natural Resources and Protected Open Spaces In Chester County
4. SUB DIVISION REVIEW

930 N. Chester Road
942 Cornwallis Drive
5. OLD BUSINESS

2016 Conservancy Board Goals
2016 Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day (April 2, 2016)
Spring Planting
6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
7. VARIANCES
8. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS
9. LIAISON REPORTS
10. CORRESPONDENCE
11. DATES OF IMPORTANCE

Dec 03, 2015	Park and Rec Commission	7:00 pm
Dec 09, 2015	Conservancy Board	7:00 pm
Dec 10, 2015	Historical Commission	7:00 pm
Dec 14, 2015	Municipal Authority	7:00 pm
Dec 15, 2015	Board of Supervisors	7:00 pm
Dec 15, 2015	Futurist Committee	7:00 pm
Dec 25, 2015	Christmas – Office Closed	

*Newsletter Deadlines for Spring of 2016: January 31, 2016
12. Public Comment
13. Adjournment

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
November 11, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at the East Goshen Township Building. Board members present were: Chairman Walter Wujcik, Erich Meyer, Sandra Snyder, Patti Brown and John Scheidt. Others present were: Janet Emanuel, Township Supervisor and Mr. & Mrs. Gary Moore.

CALL TO ORDER

Walter called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Walter led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to remember our troops and first responders.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Walter noted that the minutes of the October 14, 2015 meeting were approved as corrected.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Subdivision 930 N. Chester Road – Gary Moore showed the Board members the plan to subdivide his 4 acre parcel into 2 – 2 acre parcels. There are old white pines in the rear of the property that will have to be removed for storm water management. They have requested a waiver from the landscape plan until there is a building permit request. Walter will send a letter to the Planning Commission stating that the Conservancy Board will defer approval until there is a land development and landscape plan.
2. Spring Planting – The Reservoir Road area will be checked to see what needs to be done there.
3. 2016 Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day – The Board decided to hold this event on Saturday, April 2, 2016 with a rain date of April 9th. Sandy will have signs made. Janet suggested that they put a notice in the newsletter, ask Jason to include it on his weekly Rec News email, and put it on the website. Walter will contact Jon Altshul to see if a notice can still be put in the Winter newsletter and check on the timing of the Spring Newsletter.
4. 2016 Goals – The ABC meeting will be held on the 2nd Saturday in January. Walter reviewed the memo from Rick Smith showing the goals for the Conservancy Board as shown in the Comprehensive Plan. Walter will type up the goals for discussion at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Newsletter – Scott submitted an article for the Winter Newsletter.
2. Mullray Trees – It appears that the trees have been planted. Walter will contact Mark Miller about protection tubes for the trees.

LIAISON REPORTS

1. Paoli Pike Trail – Janet reported that the final draft will be put on the website at the end of November for 3 weeks for public input. Approval will be done by the end of December so we can start applying for grants in January.

2. Municipal Authority – Walter reported that they applied for the permits needed for the Reservoir Road pump station.

BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

1. Vacancy – Walter will check with Rick Smith about Katharine Okie's resignation.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, John made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Patti seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary



pennsylvania environmental council

November 10, 2015

Mr. Walter Wujcik
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester, PA 19380

Dear Mr. Wujcik:

You are receiving this letter because you made the choice to support the work of the Pennsylvania Environmental Council (PEC) through your 2015 membership contribution. **I thank you for your past support and, in advance, thank you for renewing your PEC membership for the 2016 calendar year.**

Your investment in PEC helps us address Pennsylvania's environmental legacies. Some legacies are from the past that we work to repair—abandoned mine drainage, orphaned oil and gas wells, brownfields, river towns cut off from the water, aged or failing stormwater infrastructure, the scourge of illegal dumping, and more.

Others are the legacies that we will leave behind—and by which generations will define us—climate change and its impacts, energy choices, outdoor recreation opportunities, green infrastructure, stormwater management, conservation landscapes, and stewardship of current extractive industries.

At PEC, we focus our programs and policy work on water resources, energy and climate, communities and landscapes, and trails and outdoor recreation. This is where we get the greatest results in ensuring a positive legacy.

There is not enough space here to expound on all of our impact work which includes: the planning of major trail networks all across the state; groundbreaking work on watershed restoration in the Pennypack, Wissahickon, and other watersheds in suburban Philadelphia; transforming River Towns along the Allegheny, Monongahela, and Schuylkill rivers; partnering on tens of thousands of acres of land conservation in the Poconos; continuing to push for strong and enforced regulation of extractive industries; and working to ensure that Pennsylvania significantly reduces its greenhouse gas emissions while working to adapt for intensifying climate change impact.

Members Matter...

Renew Your PEC Membership Today!

"How we manage our personal relationship with the environment will define the legacy we leave the next generation." Davitt Woodwell

Memo

To: Board of Supervisors, Conservancy Board
From: Jon Altshul
Re: November 21 e-waste recycling event
Date: November 24, 2015

The November 21st E-waste Recycling Event at the Township Park was even better attended than the first event in July. A total of over 21 tons of ewaste was collected, or about 8,600 pounds more than in July. As a result, the vendor did not charge the Township for the event.

Pounds Collected at EGT Ewaste Recycling Events

	July	November	Change
Dehumidifiers	3,081	2,570	-511
Microwaves	916	2,945	2,029
TV's	10,429	16,109	5,680
Printer/Scanner/Peripherals	14,823	16,053	1,230
PC Tower/Desktop	3,972	4,425	453
Misc Wire	675	430	-245
Total	33,896	42,532	8,636



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FYI

November 13, 2015

East Goshen Township
Mr. Louis Smith, Jr., Manager
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester, PA 19380

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Dear Mr. Smith, Jr.,

This letter is being sent to inform you of three new online resources dealing with Natural Resources and Protected Open Space in Chester County.

The Chester County Natural Heritage Inventory

In September 2015 the Planning Commission received the final draft of the *Chester County Natural Heritage Inventory*. The *Inventory* was completed by staff of the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy following two years of research and field work. This effort was funded by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources as part of Pennsylvania Natural Heritage Program. This new inventory replaces the now outdated *2010 Natural Areas Inventory*.

The *Chester County Natural Heritage Inventory 2015* presents extensive mapping and descriptions of the locations of rare plants and animals called "sensitive species." These species include a variety of organisms that have been specially designated by state or federal agencies. The *Inventory* is useful to landowners who wish to know if sensitive species exist or are likely to exist on their property.

The new inventory is 606 pages long, making it rather unwieldy to send through the mail. Instead, the Planning Commission has posted it on line at <http://www.landscapes2.org/psd/Natural/inventories.cfm> in two formats. A 55-page inventory summary can be viewed or downloaded as a pdf, or the entire document can be viewed or downloaded. Mapping showing the sensitive species sites can be viewed at a web page managed by the Pennsylvania Natural Heritage Program located here: <http://www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us/> under "County Inventory Interactive Map." If you are working on a large scale project that requires GIS mapping of sensitive species as delineated in the inventory, please contact Jake Michael at jmichael@chesco.org or 610-344-6503.

Natural Resource Protection Model Standards

In 2015, the Planning Commission partnered with the Brandywine Conservancy to develop a set of natural resource protection standards. These standards were based on effective zoning ordinance regulations that were adopted within several municipalities within the Brandywine Creek watershed. Additional modifications and notes were then added so the standards could be adapted for use by other municipalities. The natural resource protection standards present a template for addressing the



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minimum protection needed for natural resources under ideal conditions. These standards can be viewed or downloaded by going to the Planning Commission's Natural Resources Web Page <http://www.landscapes2.org/psd/NatResources.cfm> and clicking on "Natural Resource Protection Tools," or by visiting the Brandywine Conservancy's website at <http://www.brandywinegreenway.org/files.php>.

Updating the Protected Open Space Tracking (POST) System

In 2002, following the adoption of *Linking Landscapes*, the Chester County Planning Commission (CCPC) began to inventory protected open spaces on an annual basis. In recent years, this inventory has been conducted using POST, which is a database managed by the Planning Commission. This database is linked to the County's tax assessment database for land parcels. In 2016, the computer program used by the County to view both the POST and the assessment database will be updated. To accommodate this change, the POST database format will also be changed.

As part of this transition, the Planning Commission will update its Chester County Protected Open Space Information Center web page (<http://www.landscapes2.org/ccpc/openspace/OpenSpaceInfo.cfm>). These new changes will make it easier for outside organizations like yours to view and download spreadsheets and maps of protected open space in Chester County. This web site will also include a new section that can be used to submit new information about the parcels your organization protects. During the coming months, you will be contacted about the update to POST, and notified when it is made available for use on the Planning Commission's web page.

If you have question about any of these three issues, please contact Jake Michael (610-344-6503). Thank you for assisting us in preserving our county's natural resources and protecting its open spaces.

Sincerely,

Brian N. O'Leary, AICP
Executive Director

BNO/JM/ncs

Cc: Jake Michael, CCPC

Memorandum

East Goshen Township
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester, PA 19380

Voice: 610-692-7171
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Date: 12/3/2015
To: Conservancy Board
From: Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer *mg*
Re: 930 N. Chester Rd.

Board Members,

As you know The Township has received a SD Plan for 930 N. Chester Rd. This 4 acre parcel is proposed to be subdivided into two lots. The applicant is seeking your recommendation for approval for the plan. The applicant is seeking a waiver from the requirement to submit a Landscape Plan. The concern is that while the location of the house is depicted on the plan, the actual footprint may change based on the desires of the builder or new owner. In the past applicant who have been granted a waiver from the LS Plan have listed the species to be planted on the final plan and submitted a LS plan at a later date

It is the opinion of the Staff and the Planning Commission that the configuration of the landscape plantings around the home is not as critical as the varieties and number of plants proposed.

I recommend that the Board consider the following motion:

Mr. Chairman, I move that we recommend that the Planning Commission recommend approval of the SD Plan for 930 N. Chester Rd. with the following condition:

1. The applicant shall list the proposed varieties and number of plants proposed for landscaping on the final plan and a LS plan shall be provided to the Township along with the building permit application. The Township staff will confirm that the proposed plantings are not invasive species, the trees proposed are listed on the Township Recommended Tree Species List (Resolution 2015-20) and that the landscaping is installed prior to issuance of a use and occupancy certificate.

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING A LIST OF RECOMMENDED SPECIES OF TREES AND STREET TREES THAT MAY BE PLANTED WHEN REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 205 OF THE EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP CODE, TITLED "SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT".

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following list of tree and street tree species that may be used to satisfy the requirements in Chapter 205 of the East Goshen Township Code, Sections 205-61 and 205-62:

Deciduous canopy trees.

1. *Acer rubrum*, *saccharum* (maple: red, sugar).
2. *Catalpa speciosa* (catalpa).
3. *Larix laricina* (tamarack).
4. *Liquidambar styracifera* (sweet-gum).
5. *Liriodendron tulipifera* (tulip tree).
6. *Magnolia acuminata* (cucumber tree).
7. *Nyssa sylvatica* (sourgum or tupelo).
8. *Populus deltoides* (poplar).
9. *Quercus coccinea*, *imbricaria*, *phellos*, *rubra* (oak: scarlet, laurel, willow, red).
10. *Tilia americana*, *cordata* (linden: american, littleleaf).

Understory trees.

1. *Amelanchier* species (serviceberry or shadbush).
2. *Asimina triloba* (pawpaw).
3. *Betula lenta* (cherry or sweet birch).
4. *Betula nigra* (river birch).
5. *Betula papyrifera* (paper birch).
6. *Celtis occidentalis* (hackberry).
7. *Cercis canadensis* (redbud).
8. *Chionanthus virginicus* (fringe tree).
9. *Cornus florida*, *alternifolia* (dogwood: flowering, pagoda).
10. *Crataegus* species (hawthorns).
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12. *Halesia carolina* (carolina silverbell).


13. Magnolia virginiana (sweetbay and other magnolias).
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17. Stewartia ovata f. grandiflora (mountain stewartia).
18. Styrax obassia (fragrant snowbell).
19. Viburnum prunifolium (black haw).
20. Abies concolor (white or concolor fir).
21. Pinus strobus fastigiata ('Fastigiata' Eastern White Pine).
22. Picea glauca (White Spruce)
23. Picea abies (Norway Spruce)

Street tree varieties.


1. Catalpa speciosa (northern catalpa).
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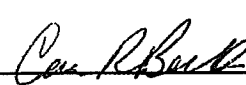
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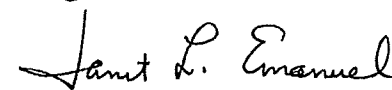


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Charles W. Proctor




Memorandum

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Date: 12/3/2015
To: Conservancy Board
From: Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer *malp*
Re: 942 Cornwallis Drive

Board Members,

The Township has received a SD Plan for 930 N. Chester Rd. This ~3.6 acre parcel is proposed to be subdivided into two lots. The applicant is seeking your recommendation for approval for the plan. The applicant is seeking a waiver from the requirement to submit a Landscape Plan. The concern is that while the location of the house is depicted on the plan, the actual footprint may change based on the desires of the builder or new owner. In the past applicants who have been granted a waiver from the LS Plan have listed the species to be planted on the final plan and submitted a LS plan at a later date

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**













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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CHESTER COUNTY
1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

FYI

November 25, 2015

Dear Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Robert and Amanda Gionfriddo, the owners of 942 Cornwallis Dr., West Chester, PA 19380, have submitted a Subdivision Application for their property at 942 Cornwallis Drive, West Chester, PA 19380. The plan proposes to subdivide the 3.5+ acre lot into two residential building lots.

Pursuant to Township policy, property owners and residents within 1000 feet of the subject property are notified of sketch plan submissions.

The plan will be reviewed and discussed during the meetings outlined below.

December 2, 2015 - Planning Commission Meeting (7:00 pm)
December 7, 2015 - Municipal Authority (7:00 PM)
December 9, 2016 - Conservancy Board (7:00 PM)
January 6, 2016 - Planning Commission (7:00 PM)
January 19, 2016 - Board of Supervisors (7:00 PM)

All meetings are held at the Township Building and are open to the public. The meeting dates and times above are subject to change without further written notice to surrounding property owners. The plans and application are available for public review at the Township building during normal business hours. Please give me a call if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Gordon
Township Zoning Officer

Cc: All Township Authorities, Boards and Commissions

Conservancy Board

Mission Statement

Protect and nurture East Goshen's natural resources and educate East Goshen citizens of their importance.

2015 Accomplishments

1. Managed a successful Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day on April 11, 2015.
2. Coordinated infill planting along the Township walking path in the East Boot Road wetlands area.
3. Continued invasive species control for Township open spaces by the Blacksmith Shop.
4. Submitted articles that were included in each of the Township Quarterly Newsletter; articles included property line and trees, e waste recycling, and tree planting.

2016 Goals

1. Continue to increase the riparian buffer plantings throughout the Township and continue monitoring new PA state law for impacts on the Township's riparian buffer ordinance.
2. Continue control of invasive plant species in Township wetlands, while leveraging past work with Park & Recreation and the Public Works Department on reforestation, understory, and meadows efforts in Applebrook Park.
3. Continue education of residents on good environmental practices through articles in the Township Newsletter.
4. Work to review and update tree replacement standards as needed.
5. Work with the Township to protect the chrome serpentine barrens in East Goshen Park.
6. Manage a successful Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day – scheduled for April 2nd this year.