

Futurist Committee  
Agenda  
July 20, 2016  
7:00 PM

1. Call to order

2. Pledge/Moment of Silence

3. Approval of Minutes –

May 18, 2016

June 15, 2016

4. Consider next steps in the measurement project to determine how EGT will measure progress in its objective to be a "Premier Community"

5. Consider actions needed to allow EGT restaurants to serve alcohol in the future

6. Consider any additional actions needed at this time to make Goshen Village Shopping Center more desirable as a place to meet

7. Consider any new ideas to explore and promote

8. 2017 Budget Request

9. Public Comments

10. Adjournment

## **Futurist Committee Minutes June 15, 2016**

Present: Rogers Vaughn, Luann Petrellis, Tom Kilburn, members. Jon Altshul EG CFO; Brad Giresi, Planning Committee, Jon Jam (Jamjoochian), local realtor

Call to Order: Chairman Tom Kilburn called the meeting to order and the meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our military troops and first responders.

John Jam updated the committee on the work he has done researching price trends on various housing types in East Goshen and surrounding townships. John is a real estate agent who lives in EGT and has volunteered to help develop a data base of housing prices in EGT and other local townships in order to determine how EGT compares in the future. John wanted to get some first hand feedback from the committee on how the data he was working on would be used and some direction for further work. After some discussion John agreed to continue to work on the project and develop data on a limited number of neighborhoods in EGT and neighboring townships that would provide price trends over the last several years for comparison. Once the core data is compiled we can then review the results with Matt Saboe and Simon Condliffe of WCU and get their input on how best to present the results going forward.

Rod updated the committee on a conversation he had with the East Goshen Village owner. He felt that EGT being a dry township was a deterrent in attracting another restaurant to the shopping center. We agreed to followup with Senya and Rick Smith on the steps required to allow restaurants to serve alcohol in EGT.

We also discussed the need to have a visualization of what the Paoli Pike corridor could look like with an enhanced streetscape which would include the Paoli Pike Trail as well as trees, signage, sidewalks, traffic calming, and improved properties. This would be used to help sell potential developers and shop and restaurant owners on the value of being part of EGT's vibrant town center of the future. Mark Gordon with planning committee input has applied for a grant for a master plan for the corridor and we agreed to followup with him before taking any further action.

# Memo

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To: Conservancy Board, Parks & Rec Commission, Deer Committee, Futurist Committee & Historical Commission  
From: Jon Altshul  
Re: 2017 Budget Request  
Date: June 30, 2016

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As we enter the second half of 2016, it is time to begin thinking about the Township's budget for 2017, as well as projections for the remainder of the 2016 budget year.

To that end, attached please find an Excel worksheet with individual tabs for each of your ABCs showing:

- 2016 year-to-date budgeted and actual expenditures through June.
- A blank column for 2016 projected year-end expenditures.
- A blank column for the 2017 budget request.

(Note: there is no worksheet for the Futurists, as this group has never had a budget)

I would be grateful if you could provide me with:

- 1) Year-end 2016 projections for each line item
- 2) 2017 budget requests for each line item
- 3) If you expect spending to go over budget in any line item for the current year, an explanation of why the overrun is/will be necessary
- 4) A justification for your 2017 budget request. This justification is particularly important for any line item for which you are requesting more budget authority in 2017 than you received in 2016.

As always, 2017 will be a tight budget year. Preliminary forecasts suggest that the Township will need to deplete some general fund balance in order to achieve a balanced budget. Thus, all township departments and ABC groups will be under pressure from the Board of Supervisors to identify cost savings.

When developing your budget request, remember your group's mission, goals and objectives. Then ask yourselves, what do you need in order to realize your objectives and what do you merely want? Expenditures that don't meet the "need" threshold are unlikely to receive BOS approval.

Please don't hesitate to contact me by phone or email over the summer.

As we plan to have preliminary budget materials prepared for discussions with the Board in early autumn, **please return this completed worksheet to me by no later than Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**. I will follow up with you if I have any questions.

