# EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 1580 PAOLI PIKE OCTOBER 4, 2016 – 7:00 pm FINAL MINUTES

# The Board met in Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. to discuss a Personnel Matter (ABC Interviews)

<u>Present</u>: Chairman Senya D. Isayeff, Vice-Chairman Marty Shane, Supervisors Carmen Battavio (due to prior business, arrived to meeting at 7:18 pm), Chuck Proctor; Janet Emanuel; Township CFO Jon Altshul, ABC Member Erich Meyer (Conservancy Board).

### Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance:

Senya called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm and asked a resident in the audience to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Moment of Silence:**

Senya called for a moment of silence to honor the members of the military who defend our democracy and our way of life.

# **Recording of Meeting:** None

## **Chairman's Report:** Senya announced the following:

- a) The Board met in Executive Session on September 27<sup>th</sup> and immediately prior to tonight's meeting to discuss personnel matters (ABC interviews).
- b) A Conditional Use Hearing has been scheduled for October 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to review an application from the owner of 1349 Morstein Road to operate firearms transfer and sales business from his residence.
- c) Acknowledge Eileen Miller-Battavio's resignation from the Historical Commission. Senya, on behalf of the Board, thanked Eileen for her many years of service.
- d) East Goshen is the first municipality in Chester County to offer an online payment portal to register and pay for park and recreation activities. Visit our website to register for upcoming programs.

#### **Public Comment:** None

#### **New Business:**

Presentation from Christina Celona, Executive Director, Malvern Public Library: Christina Celona, along with Cheryl McCabe, who was in attendance, discussed the programs and resources that are provided by the Malvern Public Library, at no cost to its patrons. To name a few, some of these programs include: job training resources for those seeking to re-enter the job market after long periods of time; homeschooling enhancement resources; eBooks; and summer reading programs. Ms. Celona expressed her appreciation to the Board for their many years of financial support of the library, and hoped that the Board would continue this financial support moving forward. Jon disclosed that the Township does in fact have monies earmarked in

the budget for this purpose which would be officially announced at the October 18, 2016 Board meeting.

Consider Thornbury Township's Proclamation regarding hazardous liquids transmission pipelines projects: Marty opened the discussion on this item explaining the Board's past efforts and approach of working proactively with Sunoco to be the most advantageous for the Township in terms of expressing the Townships' concerns and ultimately having the most fruitful outcomes. Marty further explained that the Board is unable to step in between Sunoco and an East Goshen resident regarding easement negotiations. Carmen concurred with Marty's statement expressing concern that the Proclamation could possibly hinder the Township's good working relationship with Sunoco.

Elaine McLaughlin, 615 Marydell Drive, read her statement, asking for certain actions and support to be taken by the Board, and delivered supporting material on the Proclamation to the Board. Ms. McLaughlin asked the Board to create ordinances regarding hazardous liquids, and stated that it is the Board's duty to adopt harsh zoning laws for the pipelines. She asked the Board to act quickly in protecting the residents' rights, and expressed concern for the speedy creation of detailed evacuation plans for the surrounding schools, churches and senior centers.

Marty responded by stating that the transportation of these liquids is most safe underground, that the contents of the Proclamation should go to Pennsylvania legislators and the Department of Environmental Protection, the regulatory agency in this instance. Marty further commented that to endorse the Proclamation would "fly in the face" of all the good work and in roads the Board has already created with Sunoco. Senya concurred with Marty, further stating that the Board does not want to develop a confrontational relationship with Sunoco, and that letters to PA legislators would be more effective. Carmen agreed with Senya's statement. Elaine stated that she respectfully disagrees with the Board and their approach.

Chuck discussed how the Sunoco Mariner II pipeline is going through easements and existing rights of way. Senya further stated that the Township cannot get involved in the easement negotiations between Sunoco and a resident. Senya also commented that he disagrees with the language contained in the Proclamation, and that East Goshen has developed a different approach in dealing with Sunoco than other Townships. Elaine asked the Board how the pipeline would benefit East Goshen if its contents would ultimately be shipped elsewhere. Both Senya and Chuck explained that it would create many jobs.

Sarah Caspar, a resident of East Brandywine, stated that Sunoco has been promising jobs for a long time to no avail, stating that the EPA closed the Marcus Hook plant due to environmental concerns. She further stated that Sunoco has the highest record of spills and that the jobs created would only be for those laying the pipeline and those would be temporary jobs. Sarah closed by saying that Sunoco is giving the Board "bad information".

Senya asked if there was a motion to adopt the Proclamation. Marty moved not to adopt the Proclamation. Carmen seconded.

Bernard Greenburg, Jefferson Way, stated that Sunoco has a bad track record of spills, and that there needs to be an evacuation plan. He further stated that he has asked Sunoco about leaks and

Sunoco said that they would handle everything if there were leaks. Marty stated that Sunoco is obligated by law to handle all accidents and to work with first responders. Carmen further commented that the County is currently being trained, and that this training will filter down to first responders in East Goshen.

Eric Friedman, 2 Fallbrook Lane, Thornbury Township, Delaware County, stated that he is an officer of his Homeowners Association, and that his community's open space area has no easements granted to Sunoco. Mr. Friedman stated that municipalities do have the power to create zoning regulations in regard to easements and the taking of land. Senya asked Mr. Friedman for the source of his statements and if they were legitimate legal opinions. Mr. Friedman explained that his statements were his own opinions based on facts. Mr. Friedman further stated that he if a former airline pilot, currently working for the Federal Aviation Administration in the area of risk assessment, and wanted to talk to the Board about the risk factors (likelihood and severity) of the Sunoco pipeline transporting colorless, odorless materials. Mr. Friedman stated that Sunoco has the worst record of spills and releases, with a recent accident in Edgemont, and that there are no federal regulations for Sunoco to develop evacuation plans. Mr. Friedman also stated that Mount Pleasant Township has regulations for Sunoco to cite, and for evacuation plans. Mr. Friedman appealed to the Board to adopt ordinances regarding setbacks to the pipeline.

Marty stated that there will be no open cutting by Sunoco in East Goshen, that Mariner II will be 60 feet underground, and that the Board would have further discussions with their solicitor to see if any further regulations are needed in the matter.

A resident of 248 Lenni Road, Middletown Township, stated that any jobs created in laying the pipeline would not be for residents, but rather for Union workers from elsewhere who are transported in to complete the work.

Marty restated the motion that Carmen seconded. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

#### **Emergency Services Report:**

**Goshen Fire Company:** The Board started to review the year-to-date statistics through August 2016 Reports, but asked that the Report be presented in a larger font and one that could be easily read.

<u>Consider Refuse and Recycling Days for 2017:</u> Jon explained this item. Chuck motioned to switch the collection days for 2017. Janet seconded. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

<u>Consider Authorizing Execution of Financial Security Agreement for a Sewer Lateral Stub</u>
<u>Installation at 411 Misak Drive:</u> Chuck motioned to authorize. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Consider Authorizing Chairman to Execute Storm Water Management Operation & Maintenance Agreements for 1125 Taylor Avenue and 342 Davis Circle: Marty motioned to authorize. Janet seconded. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Any Other Matter:** Senya announced the following appointments:

- <u>Milltown Dam Committee:</u> Chuck Hepler; Mike Lehmicke; Vincent McInnis; Glenn Artman; Paul Knox; Dana Pizarro; Dave Hewitt.
- <u>Hershey's Mill Dam Committee:</u> Dick Dunkel; Nancy Aller; Wendy Bartenstein; Blake Goll; Jim Edmunds; Tom Beggs; Wayne Hall; Ed Tomlinson; Sue Davis.
- Parks & Recreation Commission: Dan Liecht.
- <u>Vacancy Commission:</u> Thom Clapper.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Board reviewed and corrected the minutes of the September 20, 2016 meeting. Marty motioned to approve. Chuck seconded. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

See attached Treasurer's Report for September 29, 2016. The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report and the current invoices. Carmen moved to graciously accept the Treasurer's Report and the Expenditure Register Report as recommended by the Treasurer, to accept the receipts and to authorize payment of the invoices just reviewed. Chuck seconded. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

<u>Correspondence, Reports of Interest:</u> The Board acknowledged receipt of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Right-to-Know Request Report.

## **Adjournment**:

There being no further business, Janet motioned to adjourn the meeting. Carmen seconded. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Christina Rossetti Hartnett Recording Secretary

Attachment: Treasurer's Report for September 29, 2016

|   |                         | September 29, 2016  |                   |
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| TREASURER'S REPORT                            |                         |                     |                   |
| 2016 RECEIPTS AND BILLS                       |                         |                     |                   |
|   |                         |                     |                   |
|   |                         |                     |                   |
| GENERAL FUND                                  |                         |                     |                   |
| Real Estate Tax                               | \$1,056.38              | Accounts Payable    | \$191,084.89      |
| Earned Income Tax                             | \$34,100.00             | Electronic Pmts:    | Ψ101,004.00       |
| Local Service Tax                             | \$1,100.00              | Credit Card         | \$2,942.83        |
| Transfer Tax                                  | \$0.00                  | Postage             | \$1,000.00        |
| General Fund Interest Earned                  | \$0.00                  | Debt Service        | \$0.00            |
| Total Other Revenue                           | \$114,826.28            | Payroll             | \$106,250.00      |
| Total Receipts:                               | \$151,082.66            | Total Expenditures: | \$301,277.72      |
|   |                         |                     |                   |
| STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND                       |                         |                     |                   |
| Receipts                                      | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Interest Earned                               | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Total State Liqud Fuels:                      | \$0.00                  | Expenditures:       | \$0.00            |
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| SINKING FUND                                  |                         |                     |                   |
| Descripto                                     | 40.00                   | Assessed Baselia    | 40.00             |
| Receipts                                      | \$0.00                  | Accounts Payable    | \$0.00            |
| Interest Earned                               | \$0.00                  | Credit Card         | \$0.00            |
| Total Sinking Fund:                           | \$0.00                  | Total Expenditures: | \$0.00            |
| TRANSPORTATION FUND                           |                         |                     |                   |
|   |                         |                     |                   |
| Receipts                                      | \$792.50                |                     |                   |
| Interest Earned                               | \$0.00                  | - n                 | 40.00             |
| Total Sinking Fund:                           | \$792.50                | Expenditures:       | \$0.00            |
| SEWER OPERATING FUND                          |                         |                     |                   |
|   |                         | Accounts Payable    | \$120,447.38      |
| Receipts                                      | \$67,866.93             | Debt Service        | \$0.00            |
| Interest Earned                               | \$0.00                  | Credit Card         | \$95.39           |
| Total Sewer:                                  | \$67,866.93             | Total Expenditures: | \$120,542.77      |
| REFUSE FUND                                   |                         |                     |                   |
| REPUSE FUND                                   |                         |                     |                   |
| Receipts                                      | \$17,383.59             |                     |                   |
| Interest Earned                               | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Total Refuse:                                 | \$17,383.59             | Expenditures:       | \$33,085.50       |
| SEWER SINKING FUND                            |                         |                     |                   |
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| Receipts                                      | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Interest Earned                               | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Total Sewer Sinking Fund:                     | \$0.00                  | Expenditures:       | \$13,021.57       |
| OPERATING RESERVE FUND                        |                         |                     |                   |
|   |                         |                     |                   |
| Receipts                                      | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Interest Earned Total Operating Reserve Fund: | \$0.00<br><b>\$0.00</b> | Expenditures:       | \$0.00            |
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| Events Fund                                   |                         |                     |                   |
| Receipts                                      | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Interest Earned                               | \$0.00                  |                     |                   |
| Total Events Fund:                            | \$0.00                  | Expenditures:       | \$0.00            |