

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
HERSHEY MILL DAM COMMITTEE  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
OCTOBER 25, 2016 – 7:00 pm  
MINUTES**

**Present:**

Sue Davis, Jim Edmunds, Blake Goll, Wayne Hall, Wendy Bartenstein, Nancy Aller, Tom Beggs, Dick Dunkel, Ed Tomlinson and Jim Brandolini.

Also in attendance were Board of Supervisors Chairman Senya D. Isayeff, Vice-Chairman Marty Shane, and Township Manager Rick Smith.

**Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance:**

Senya called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked Rick Smith to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Moment of Silence:**

Marty called for a moment of silence to honor the members of the military who defend our country.

**New Business:**

**Welcome**

Senya welcomed the members of Hershey Mill Dam Committee. He provided background on the history of Hershey Mill Dam. He advised the attendees that meetings of the Committee were subject to the Sunshine Law and, as such, the public had the right to attend the meeting. He noted that there was a member of the public in attendance and asked her to introduce herself. Mary DeSimone stated she was a 10<sup>th</sup> grade student at Arch Bishop John Carroll High School and that she was attending the meeting for a class on government.

Marty noted the Board had engaged Simone Collins/Princeton Hydro to work with the Committee to develop the plan for the area above the dam. He reviewed the process the Committee would follow. He noted that the preliminary 2017 budget included \$50,000 for improvements and/or plantings and the Township would also seek grants.

Rick advised those in attendance that the Committee meeting agendas and supporting information would be posted on the Township web site the Friday before a meeting and that the members would receive an e-mail advising that the info was available. He stated that Simone Collins was scheduled to have the Visioning Session on Monday, December 5, 2016. He advised that the Visioning Session meeting agenda and supporting information would be posted on the Township web site, the Township would notify all residents within 1,000 feet of the dam about the meeting via a letter, and that the general public would be able to submit comments electronically.

He reviewed the plot plan for the parcel on which the dam is situated and asked the Committee to review the relevant sections of the Comprehensive Plan and the Park Recreation and Open Space Plan.

### **Election of Officers**

Marty noted that the Committee would need to select a Chair and Vice Chair, who would be tasked with running the meetings. At this time, the Committee members all gave a short summary of their background and interests.

Jim nominated Wayne for Chair; the motion was seconded by Wendy and approved unanimously.

Jim nominated Blake for Vice Chair; the motion was seconded by Wendy and approved unanimously.

Wayne thanked those in attendance and took over running the meeting.

### **Meeting Dates**

It was the consensus of the members that in preparation for the Visioning Session, they would schedule Committee meetings for November 3, 10, and 17 at 6:30 pm. Wayne suggested that they should try to limit the meetings to 1 – 1¼ hours in length. They also agreed it would be useful for the Committee to physically visit the dam and view the area. It was the consensus of the members to schedule site visits for October 29 at 10:00 am and October 30 at 1:00 pm.

### **General Discussion**

The members discussed the project in general terms, noting that access and maintenance costs would need to be considered. It was suggested that an aerial photo of the dam area with the property boundaries should be prepared.

### **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis F. Smith Jr.  
Township Manager

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