

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
1580 PAOLI PIKE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2018
FINAL APPROVED MINUTES**

Present: Chairman Marty Shane; Vice Chair Carmen Battavio; Members David Shuey, Janet Emanuel and Mike Lynch; Township Manager Rick Smith; Assistant Township Manager and Finance Director Jon Altshul; Park & Recreation Director Jason Lang; Bill Wegeman (Pipeline Task Force); Chuck Proctor (Historical Commission) and Erich Meyer (Conservancy Board)

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Marty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked Commander Bryan Perisault to lead the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Carmen called for a moment of silence to honor our troops and first responders.

Recording

The meeting was livestreamed on the Township's [YouTube](#) page.

Chairman's Report

Marty made the following announcements:

- The Board met in Executive Session before tonight's meeting for a police labor matter.
- The Board will conduct a special meeting on October 25th at 7:00 to consider recommendations on developing regulations to allow for additional housing types on properties that are 20 acres or larger without increasing density.
- Marty welcomed Commander Bryan Perisault (United States Naval Reserves) for a flag presentation ceremony. Commander Perisault spent the past year deployed in Africa. He noted that while he was deployed, he participated remotely in the Township Halloween Decoration Contest by decorating his small containerized living unit, which generated interest and votes from his fellow soldiers from both the United States and other countries. He presented Marty with a flag that had been flown on three flights over Africa, including on an unmanned drone. Marty stated that the flag would be displayed in a prominent place in the Township building.
- Marty asked Jason to announce that the Township had received a \$350,000 DCNR grant for Hershey Mill Dam Park and \$380,000 from the DEP for improvements to the Milltown Dam Park. David explained that funding for the latter grant came from fines paid by Sunoco for various violations. Marty thanked Jason for his efforts in securing these grants.

- The annual Pumpkin Fest will be held on Saturday, October 20th.

Public Comment

Chuck made a presentation about some the areas of focus of the Historical Commission, including:

- Reaching out to historical property owners
- Adding Sullivan House to the historical property inventory
- Scheduling meetings with other Historical Commissions, former Commission members, historical re-enactors, and other interested parties
- Implementing a Christmas ornament fund raiser that would ultimately allow the Commission to be self-sufficient.
- Developing an official historical property plaque
- Adding members and developing a mission statement

Marty asked Jon how much money the Historical Commission had left in its 2018 budget to purchase ornaments for sale. Jon indicated that around \$2,400 was available. Carmen asked whether the Commission would have a place to sell the ornaments. Mike made a motion to authorize the expenditure of funds to purchase historical ornaments for sale to benefit the Historical Commission. David seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

WEGO Emergency Service Report

Chief Bernot indicated that she was concerned about how information about the September 19th incident at Bellingham was communicated to residents and that she would be working on improving the communications infrastructure for police emergencies. Christina Zettner, 1530 Alison Drive, asked the Chief how long after a major police incident news should be disseminated to the public.

The Chief also announced that the next “Coffee with a Cop” event would be held at the Giant on West Chester Pike on October 22nd.

Fire Company reports

Carmen reported the Goshen Fire Company had 24 fire calls, 17 fire police calls and 187 EMS calls in East Goshen in September; that Malvern Fire Company had 36 EMS calls in East Goshen in September; and that Good Fellowship had 54 ALS calls in East Goshen in September.

David asked if the reason that East Goshen had more EMS calls relative to neighboring municipalities was due to Bellingham and Wellington. Carmen noted that the Fire Company is frequently dispatched to these facilities for minor lift assists and that the Fire Company was trying to work with staff to reduce these types of calls, which can be very costly.

Public Comment Continued

Bill asked for an update on Mariner 2 and Adelphia and whether such updates could be communicated in advance of public meetings. Marty stated that the Township could ask the operators for updates, but that Sunoco in particular does not freely share a lot of information about the project. Rick noted that Sunoco it is still “re-evaluating horizontal directional drilling in East Goshen and that the only current activity is above ground work in front of Wellington. He added that to his knowledge, Adelphia is still working on its Environmental Impact Statement.

Lex Pavlo, 611 S. Speakman Lane brought a letter signed by the Cumberland County Commissioners to the PUC asking for more transparency from pipeline operators and asked the Board to write a letter to the PUC in support of Cumberland County’s recommendation.

Bernie Greenberg, 894 Jefferson Way, asked about a letter he received from Adelphia indicating that it was evaluating four alternative sites for a valve station on Paoli Pike. Rick noted that the valve site is across from the Goshen Village Shopping Center and speculated that Adelphia needs to formally evaluate other valve sites because the proposed valve is located in a wetland. Mr. Greenberg also asked about the status of the 8” and 12” Mariner lines.

Ron Cocco, 633 N. Speakman Lane, expressed concerns about Sunoco’s schedule and the average drilling depth. Marty observed that the average depth of the drilling is 49 feet. Rick stated that he will send Mr. Cocco a link to a website showing drilling depth at different locations. David encouraged residents to think of Mariner East not as three lines, but as one line with many interconnections.

Ms. Zettner asked about the pressure that a pipe can withstand. She also expressed concerns about the development of a pedestrian-friendly Goshenville in close proximity to the pipelines. Rick explained that the pressure in a pipe will be the same regardless of its size. Jon noted that there is no funding available for Goshenville, so any discussion about pedestrian safety is pre-mature.

September Financial Report

Jon reported that the General Fund has a surplus of \$917,027 and a positive budget variance of \$425,412. He noted that the projected year-end deficit is \$171,427, which is an improvement of about \$33,000. He added that he now expects the sewer fund to run a deficit due to higher-than-projected costs for the Tallmadge Drive sewer line project. Jon also reported that receivables are trending down, while interest income is trending up. He is also projecting cost overruns for the improvements at the West Goshen Sewer Treatment Plant.

Approval of Minutes and Treasurer’s Report

Janet made a motion to approve the minutes of October 2, 2018. Carmen seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Carmen made a motion to approve the expenditures and graciously accept the receipts in the October 11, 2018 Treasurer's Report. Janet seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Review Keeping of Domesticated Chickens Ordinance

Mike expressed concern about allowing for more chickens on larger lot sizes. He stated that the ordinance should only allow for a sufficient number of chickens to reasonably feed a family of four. David suggested allowing for a maximum of 10 chickens on lots of two acres or more. Janet agreed that the ordinance should not allow for any commercial use of chickens. She reminded the Board that the Planning Commission did not want to make any recommendations for lots less than one acre, but instead to wait to see how the ordinance works and then add provisions for lot sizes below one acre if no issues are identified.

Rick stated that staff would research how many chickens would be sufficient to feed a family of four and report back to the Board.

Consider Thornbury Police Contract

Janet made a motion to authorize East Goshen's Police Commissioner to vote to approve the Police Services Agreement with Thornbury Township, contingent on its approval by Thornbury Township. Mike seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Consider Temporary Speed Bumps in the Brookmont development

Rick explained that he had sent a letter to the residents of Brookmont asking if they would like temporary speed bumps installed while Aqua does repairs on King Road to deter cut through traffic and speeding. He stated that 20 residents would have to support the bumps for a majority and that residents have until this Thursday to respond. Carmen made a motion for staff to install temporary speed bumps in Brookmont provided the Township receives at least 20 positive responses from neighborhood residents. Mike seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Consier Variance Time Limit Ordinance

Rick explained that staff expects to have comments from the Chester County Planning Commission on the proposed ordinance to address the time limit on variances related to Subdevelopment and Land Development approvals by mid-November, after which point the proposed ordinance will again be on the Board's agenda.

Consider Authorizing an Application for a PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant for Paoli Pike Trail Segment B

Carmen made a motion to authorize an application for a PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant program in the amount of \$1,866,000 and approve matching funds in the amount of \$838,500. David seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Consider Authorizing the Chairman to Execute the PA DCED Grant Agreement for the Hershey Mill Dam Park

Carmen made a motion to authorize the Chairman to execute the PA DCED Grant Agreement for the Hershey Mill Dam Park in the amount of \$250,000. David seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Consider Escrow Releases for 1662 and 1664 East Boot Road

Carmen made a motion to release \$8,093.75 from escrow at 1662 E. Boot Road, leaving a balance of \$79,884.00, and \$7,737.50 from escrow at 1664 E. Boot Road, leaving a balance or \$77,053.50. Mike seconded. He motion passed 5-0.

Consider Request to Ask that the PUC and PHMSA Hold a Public hearing on the Sunoco Mariner East Pipeline Project

Melissa DiBerdardino, 1602 Old Orchard Lane, was present to ask that the Board request that the PUC and PHMSA hold a hearing on Mariner East for the benefit to East Goshen residents. Marty pointed out that it might be difficult for the Township to compel the PUC and PHMSA to hold a public hearing on the matter. However, Rick suggested that we ask Rep. Carolyn Comitta and Sen. Tom Killion to ask that the PUC and PHMSA hold such a meeting, rather than a more formal hearing.

David made a motion to ask Rep. Comitta and Sen. Killion to ask the PUC and PHMSA to hold a meeting on concerns about Mariner East on behalf of East Goshen Township residents. Mike seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Any Other Matter

Mike made a motion to release the remaining \$8,456.50 in escrow to Sunny Ridge Farms for its Security and Landscape Maintenance Agreement. Carmen seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Consider Township Logo

Jon summarized the findings of the resident feedback, which showed that keeping the existing logos was the most popular option, but that on the whole a majority of residents favored a new logo, even if there wasn't consensus about which of the new options was best. Carmen stated that he preferred keeping the existing logo and that the trees are insulting to the Township's history. Marty agreed with Carmen. David stated he feels the old logos are "old and tired" and that he preferred Option E. Mike stated that he was disappointed by Finch's designs. Janet indicated she preferred Option C. It was agreed to table a design for the time being.

Consider Fire Prevention Program

Carmen requested that this matter be tabled until he can speak with Mark Miller and better understand how other municipalities in the region manage their commercial fire prevention programs. He suggested that this program might be more appropriately handled by Public Works with existing staff.

Correspondence, Reports of Interest

The Board acknowledged receipt of:

- Submission of application to DEP for Hershey's Mill Dam Decommissioning and Reservoir Enhancements
- East Goshen Department of Parks and Recreation Update.
- Annual request for funding from Malvern Library
- Annual request for funding from the Neighborhood Health Agencies, Inc.

Rick suggested that the structure of meetings be amended so that 30 minutes be reserved for Public Comment at the beginning of every meeting, but that if the public comment portion of the meeting exceeded 30 minutes, that a second Public Comment portion of the meeting be added to the end of the meeting. The Board was receptive to Rick's proposal.

Adjournment

Mike made a motion to adjourn at 9:50. David seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Altshul
Recording Secretary

Attached: October 11, 2018 Treasurer's Report

September 28 - October 11, 2018

**TREASURER'S REPORT
2018 RECEIPTS AND BILLS**

GENERAL FUND

Real Estate Tax	\$1,866.58	Accounts Payable	\$492,999.49
Earned Income Tax	\$50,869.61	Electronic Pmts:	
Local Service Tax	\$243.88	Credit Card	
Transfer Tax	-	Postage	
General Fund Interest Earned	7,826.68	Debt Service	
Total Other Revenue	\$515,502.50	Payroll	\$114,516.78
Total Receipts:	\$576,309.25	Total Expenditures:	\$607,516.27

STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND

Receipts	\$0.00		
Interest Earned	\$0.00		
Total State Liquid Fuels:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$9,202.00
Interest Earned	\$1,863.78	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sinking Fund:	\$1,863.78	Total Expenditures:	\$9,202.00

TRANSPORTATION FUND

Receipts	\$0.00		
Interest Earned	\$869.01		
Total Sinking Fund:	\$869.01	Expenditures:	\$0.00

SEWER OPERATING FUND

Receipts	\$16,582.32	Accounts Payable	\$77,302.87
Interest Earned	\$1,148.10	Debt Service	
Total Sewer:	\$17,730.42	Credit Card	\$0.00
		Total Expenditures:	\$77,302.87

REFUSE FUND

Receipts	\$5,949.89	Accounts Payable	\$94,778.18
Interest Earned	\$495.20	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Refuse:	\$6,445.09	Total Expenditures:	\$94,778.18

BOND FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$15,308.83
Interest Earned	\$10,397.50	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sewer Sinking Fund:	\$10,397.50	Expenditures:	\$15,308.83

SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$41,155.08
Interest Earned	2,436.19	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sewer Sinking Fund:	\$2,436.19	Expenditures:	\$41,155.08

OPERATING RESERVE FUND

Receipts	\$0.00		
Interest Earned	3,107.35		
Total Operating Reserve Fund:	\$3,107.35	Expenditures:	\$0.00