EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP PIPELINE TASK FORCE MEETING 1580 PAOLI PIKE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2018 FINAL APPROVED MINUTES

<u>Present</u>: Members Judi DiFonzo, Russ Frank, Karen Miller, Bill Wegemann; David Shuey (Liaison, Township Supervisor) Marty Shane (Chairman, Board of Supervisors), Township Manager Rick Smith; Mike Lynch (Township Supervisor)

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

David called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence

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

Recording

David asked if anyone was recording the meeting. Leo Sinclair recorded the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes to approve since this is the first Pipeline Task Force meeting.

Chairman's Report

Marty welcomed all task force members and thanked them for volunteering. Marty explained that the task force is the first one of its kind in the Township. He continued that David is the liaison to the Board of Supervisors and his role is to keep the task force moving forward, answer questions and propose items to the board. Marty credited David and Mike for getting the task force started.

New Business

1. Introductions

All present attendees introduced themselves.

2. Elect Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

David described that the main duty of the Chairperson is running the meetings. Mike explained that the Chairperson also has a coordinator role and will need to present to Board of Supervisors at the annual ABC meeting. Marty explained that the Chairperson will also have to interface with the press if the need arises.

David asked for nominations from the present members for Chair and Vice Chair. Russ stated that nominating a chairperson at this time is premature since they are unfamiliar with each other's area of expertise. Bill suggested that the task force work together for a meeting or two before appointing a Chair. The appointment of Chair and Vice Chair has been postponed.

3. Select Regular Meeting Date

After much discussion, it was determined that a 3rd or 4th Thursday of the month was best for everyone. As a second choice, the 2nd or 4th Tuesday would suffice. A regular monthly meeting date was not established for 2019. The next 2 meetings are: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 5:00 pm and Thursday, December 20, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

Karen questioned that there were only 5 members on the task force. She thought the requirement was 7. Rick indicated that the Resolution explains that the task force can start with less than 7. Mike stated as the task force moves forward, more people may become interested.

- 4. Review Resolution 2018-78
 - a. David asked if anyone had questions regarding Resolution 2018-78, Section 2
 Duties and Responsibilities. Bill questioned what does the task force need to accomplish with Item 4, "Cultivate relationships and network with other municipal governments and citizen interest/advocacy groups." David explained that he has been contacted by other townships asking what East Goshen is doing. It is important to share ideas and know what is happening in other townships.
 - b. The group discussed whether specific areas of responsibility should be designated to individuals: e.g. Bill – Legislative, Caroline – PUC Regulations. It was discussed to have responsibilities fall as the group grows. Marty explained how and why the task force will need to develop a relationship with the PUC and the legislators if a change is needed.
- 5. Review and prioritize May 16, 2018 Outstanding Actions Summary
 - a. There are 11 action items remaining on this list. Tasks can be added to this list as needed.
 - b. Rick reported that the 2 valve locations are: 1) behind Duffers 2) Route 30 behind the Laborer Training Center. These are about 9 miles apart.
 - c. David reported on the PUC regulations (Chapter 5) under which anyone can submit proposed regulations for the PUC's consideration. He suggested that "Quality of Life" issues, such as vibration ordinance, noise, hours of operation, emergency services, air quality monitoring (should new staff be needed for inspections), how a resident reports a leak, etc., should be considered.

Communicating with residents was discussed. Areas to include:

- How to prepare for emergency
- What to expect from emergency services
- What to expect from the fire department
- Post event

Bill Turner from emergency services and Paul Metro, PUC are good reference contacts.

- d. David prioritized the 4 main areas the task force should focus on. All were in agreement:
 - 1) Resident Preparedness and Communication
 - 2) Pipeline Monitoring (Exploration and Inspection)
 - 3) Legislation
 - 4) PUC Regulatory Issues (Chapter 5)
- e. David suggested that the members examine the Pipeline Tab on the East Goshen Township website. The task force could then make suggestions to the Township on what items should be posted.
- f. There was discussion about how the pipeline affects property values in the area. It was agreed that this should be an area of investigation; one that the group should be able to answer questions on. However, it is not a top priority.
- 6. Status of current Pipeline Legislation

Bill reported about his meeting with Senator Killion and Shannon Royer. The big challenge now is that the Senate is not in session. Once the Senate regroups, everything will need to be reintroduced. He was advised to review what Senator Rafferty had planned and report the 4 or 5 key legislations. Bill also stated that he has had strong support from Representative Carolyn Comitta and Senator Andy Dinniman.

- 7. Status of Pipeline Activities in East Goshen Rick reported:
 - Open cut was done in front of Wellington.
 - Sunoco has removed some pipe from the he Bow Tree HDD site.
 - Environmental assessment should be published for Adelphia January 3 or 4 and will be open for public comments.
 - Not aware of any other pipeline drilling activities in Chester County.
 - Both ends of the 12 inch line are tied in and Sunoco will start shipping soon.

<u>Public Comment</u>

None

The next meeting is Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, *Susan D'Amore*