# EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING 1580 PAOLI PIKE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018 FINAL APPROVED MINUTES

**Present**: Chairman Marty Shane; Members David Shuey, Janet Emanuel and Mike Lynch; Township Manager Rick Smith; Assistant Township Manager and Finance Director Jon Altshul; and Erich Meyer (Conservancy Board)

### Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

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

#### **Moment of Silence**

Marty 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 personnel matter and police labor matter.
- Patti Brown has resigned from the Conservancy Board. David thanked her for her service.
- The Chester County Commissioners will hold a public hearing at 7pm on November 29, 2018 at the Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center to consider adopting the new Comprehensive Plan *Landscapes 3*.
- The next Electronics Recycling Event will be held at the Township Park on Saturday, December 1, beginning at 9am.

#### **Public Comment**

None

#### **Emergency Services Report-WEGO Police Department**

Chief Bernot reminded residents to be vigilant about fraud and scams. She urged residents to monitor their credit, take valuables out of their cars, and lock their car doors. She noted that CRIMEWATCH is working well, as demonstrated by the broadcast feature used for the first time in the investigation into Monday's fatal hit-and-run accident on Boot Road.

#### **Financial Report**

Jon reported that through October 31, the General Fund had a surplus of \$122,486 and a positive budget variance of \$258,068. He noted that the Marydell Pond project is now well over-budget and that Earned Income Tax is under-performing. He has

revised the year-end projection and now anticipates that the Township will finish the year with a \$53,000 surplus, although this change of fortunes is largely due to deferring the wash bay project until early 2019. He explained that economically-sensitive revenues, such as EIT, seem to have plateaued recently.

# Approval of Minutes of November 13, 2018 and Treasurer's Report of November 15, 2018

Janet moved to approve the minutes of November 13, 2018, as corrected. David seconded. The motion passed 4-0. Marty made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report of November 15, 2018. David seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

#### **Consider Fire Prevention Program**

This matter was tabled until the next meeting.

# **Consider Keeping of Chickens Ordinance**

Mike stated that having 10 chickens on a residential lot was too many and suggested a maximum of five chickens instead. He made a motion to direct staff to submit the revised "Domesticated Chickens" ordinance amendment, with a further amendment to lower the number of chickens from ten to five, to the Chester County Planning Commission and to schedule a hearing once those comments are received. Janet seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

#### **Consider Drone Ordinance**

In light of the passage of Act 78, which regulates drones and pre-empts local ordinances about drones, David made a motion to direct staff to advertise the ordinance to repeal Chapter 153 of the East Goshen Township Code. Janet seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

#### Consider Authorizing Christmas Tree Sales at 1301 West Chester Pike

Janet made a motion to authorize the sale of Christmas trees at 1301 West Chester Pike between Thanksgiving and Christmas. David seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Consider Authorizing Letter for Ellery Coleman, Girl Scouts Gold Star Awardee Marty noted that a Gold Star is equivalent to an Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts. Janet made a motion to recognize Ellery Coleman, recipient of a Girl Scouts Gold Star, with a congratulatory letter from Marty. David seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

#### **Consider Bow Tree Pond Letter**

Rick described the differences in rehabilitating the Bow Tree I pond, which is fed by a stream, compared to the Marydell Pond, which is fed from underground springs and groundwater. As a result, the permitting will be different for the two ponds. David asked if Natural Lands had identified this issue in its report. Rick stated that Natural Lands didn't get down to the level of permitting in its report. Mike asked about the Marydell Pond project and whether we learned anything from that experience that we can apply to Bow Tree. Janet suggested that Marydell residents be notified by letter that the dredging there will be delayed through the winter due

to weather conditions. Jon explained that we will not be able to do the plantings at Marydell until the fall of 2019. David made a motion to authorize staff to send a letter to all Bow Tree and Marydell residents informing them of the Township's general plans to dredge and rehabilitate these two ponds over the next 12 months. Janet seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

#### **Consider Fireworks Zoning Amendment**

Rick explained that the new Fireworks Law requires us to provide areas where fireworks vendors can conduct temporary sales. Janet made a motion to direct staff to send the "Temporary structures for the sale of consumer fireworks" ordinance to the Planning Commission and the Chester County Planning Commission for review and comment. Mike seconded. The motion 4-0.

# Acknowledge memo concerning Police Pension Trust

Jon noted that at its October 16, 2018, meeting, the Pension Committee approved a motion to transfer \$180,774 from the Township's Police Pension Trust to the Westtown East Goshen Police Pension Plan. This transfer will therefore offset the Township scheduled December payment to WEGO.

#### **Any Other Matter**

David made a motion to authorize the Chairman to execute the stormwater management operation and maintenance agreements for 529 Beaumont Circle and 227 Ellis Lane

Marty noted that he had been asked by a resident to provide an update on the Pipeline Task Force and encouraged ABC liaisons to provide an update on what is happening in their respective ABCs.

Mike made a motion to appoint Monica Close to the Sustainability and Walter Wujcik to the Stormwater Appeals Board. David seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Rick observed that Sunoco had completed its work in front of the Giant and is now stabilizing the site.

David acknowledged an email from Melissa DiBernardino regarding the pipeline and indicated that the matter will be taken up by the Pipeline Task Force.

#### Adjournment

Janet made a motion to adjourn at 7:50. David seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted, Jon Altshul Recording Secretary

Attached: November 15, 2018 Treasurer's Report

TREASURER'S REPORT 2018 RECEIPTS AND BILLS			
GENERAL FUND			
Real Estate Tax	\$1,230.57	Accounts Payable	\$11,811.58
Earned Income Tax	\$107,700.00	Electronic Pmts:	ψ11,011.00
Local Service Tax	\$10,800.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Transfer Tax	51,083.37	Postage	\$0.00
General Fund Interest Earned	\$0.00	Debt Service	\$0.00
Total Other Revenue	\$27,213.74	Payroll	\$59,151.47
Total Receipts:	\$198,027.68	Total Expenditures:	\$70,963.05
STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND			
Receipts	\$0.00		
Interest Earned	\$0.00		
Total State Liqud Fuels:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$465.00
Interest Earned	4,213.80	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sinking Fund:	\$4,213.80	Total Expenditures:	\$465.00
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TRANSPORTATION FUND			
Receipts	\$0.00		
Interest Earned	\$0.00		
Total Sinking Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00
SEWER OPERATING FUND			
		Accounts Payable	\$7,390.28
Receipts	\$94,916.60	Debt Service	\$0.00
Interest Earned	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sewer:	\$94,916.60	Total Expenditures:	\$7,390.28
REFUSE FUND			
Receipts	\$18,581.57	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
Interest Earned	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Refuse:	\$18,581.57	Total Expenditures:	\$0.00
BOND FUND			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$1,300.00
Interest Earned	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sewer Sinking Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$1,300.00
SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
Interest Earned	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sewer Sinking Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00
OPERATING RESERVE FUND			
Receipts	\$0.00		
Interest Earned	\$0.00		
Total Operating Reserve Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00