

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
PIPELINE TASK FORCE WORKSHOP MEETING
1580 PAOLI PIKE
THURSDAY, April 25, 2019
FINAL MINUTES**

Present: Chair Caroline Hughes; Vice Chair Bill Wegemann; Members: Judi DiFonzo, Russ Frank, Karen Miller, Christina Morley, Gerald Sexton; David Shuey (Liaison, Township Supervisor, Jon Altshul, Assistant Township Manager and Finance Director

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Caroline called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence

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

Recording

Caroline asked if anyone was recording the meeting. No one was recording.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved as amended with the clarification that the pipeline coating is a fusion bonded epoxy from Dura-bond Industries.

Chairman's Report

- Caroline stated that there is no current movement on Adelphia.
- Bill acknowledged David for raising community awareness to the pipeline.
- Caroline reported that Mariner 1 is operational.
- Caroline reported there was a 12x12x12 sinkhole in Delaware County, along Route 1.
- Caroline reported that the PUC refused Sunoco's request to restart drilling of ME2 near Shoen Rd. This was based on Senator Dinniman's case. Caroline referred the group to the PUC website and video.
- Caroline reported that in Chester County Government news that a formal petition was filed to the Court of Common Pleas and a request to the issuance of a permanent injunction prohibiting Sunoco from construction on ME2. Caroline will send a link to the group.
- Christina explained that she contacted an author who wrote an article published in Bloomburg regarding expanding the pipeline in its current environment. She continued that the author responded that what is happening here locally was not the intention of his article. Bill asked Christina if she could contact him to write an update to his article.
- Caroline updated the group that in Upper Uwchlan Sunoco modified the installation method from HDD to Open Cut for both the 16 inch and 20 inch pipes.

- There was discussion that it is being proposed that ME2 and 2X be pulled at the same time. There was discussion that Sunoco may request 24 x 7 drilling. David reported that the BOS will not allow Sunoco to drill 24 hours without a public meeting. If Sunoco violates the local new ordinances, under state law, they can be fine \$1,000 per day for violating local noise ordinance.
- Jon reported that the lubrication station was set up at the Goshen Executive Center. He also stated that some residents in Marydell have been complaining of noise. The township has not received a response from Sunoco regarding an additional sound barrier. Caroline stated that there is an APP available that will measure decibels and time stamp when the noise level was recorded.
- Bill stated that he and several others requested a home inspection from Sunoco. Christina stated she was informed by a home inspector that she needs to contact a structural engineer to determine if any activity is causing damage.

Old Business

1. Review Pipeline Legislation – Bills 40, 257, 259, 261, 262
 - a. For the next meeting, the group will need to review their respective bills, provide a summary and list the pros/cons of the bill. There was discussion that the group may need to email the author of a particular bill. It was agreed that a generic email account should be used. Jon will have a pipelinetf@eastgoshen.org email account set up. This will be used for political contacts as well as for the general public to contact the TF. The chairperson will be the monitor of this account.
 - b. David stated that the BOS could support the bills reviewed as one entire package.
2. Newsletter Article

The TF worked on the article for the newsletter. There was general discussion that residents need to be informed of what is being transported in the pipeline. Jon stated that the article should be general education to the community. It was agreed that it would be comprised of 2 separate parts:

 - The first section will explain who the TF members are, how to contact the TF with questions/concerns and their mission statement.
 - The second will include education points such as:
 - The product in the pipeline is not natural gas. It contains a product that is odorless, colorless and heavier than air.
 - The product is not for domestic use and is exported overseas
 - HDD vs open cut and how HDD can create noise, vibration and dust.

It was agreed to address pipeline safety in next newsletter article.
3. Fugitive Dust Concerns at HDD sites

Bill asked the status on when the engineer will start to monitor one HDD pipeline drilling site. David stated that it was passed by the BOS and will be set up when needed. Jon will verify if the drilling at Bow Tree started. There was also discussion

that an additional barrier is needed at New Kent to block the dust going into Rt 352 & the Bow Tree development. Bill stressed that the fugitive dust issue is not getting the attention it should.

Christina also stated that it is difficult to exit at the intersection of Bancroft Drive and North Chester Road. Sunoco's work sign in addition to overgrown shrubs cause visual obstruction.

4. Pipeline Coating Degradation

- a. Due to time constraint at the meeting, Gerry was unable to present his research regarding pipeline coating degradation. Gerry will address this first at the next meeting.

Action Items for TF

- Bill Review and summary

Public Comment

None

The next regular meeting is Thursday, May 23, 2019, at 5:00 pm.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan D'Amore

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