

**PIPELINE TASK FORCE WORKSHOP MEETING
1580 PAOLI PIKE
THURSDAY, July 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; Marty Shane, Township Supervisor; Rick Smith, Township Manager

Members of Public in Attendance: Melissa DiBernardino, Gabrielle Long, Mary Jean Naftzger, Brian Sweet, Michele Truitt, Everett Warren

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 troops and first responders.

Recording

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

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from June 27, 2019, were unanimously approved as amended.

Public Comment

1. Everett Warren, 540 Beaumont Circle, reported that Sunoco placed a box around the generator to address the noise issue. He is not sure if this is temporary or permanent. He stated that Sunoco workers have been there to check on the noise. Caroline asked Everett if he had any damage due to the drilling and vibration. Everett replied that he has had some damage. He had an inspector visit last year who stated that damage has to be proven that it is caused from the drilling. He also stated that he has had water in his basement once in 33 years, but now has water from the ground coming up into his basement that is keeping his sump pump running. Rick stated that the rainfall experienced in this area is the highest ever recorded and that ground water levels were high.
2. Mary Jean Naftzger, 439 Gateswood Drive, thanked Bill for his help and reported that she contacted Sunoco and they had a structural engineer come out to her house. The expense was paid for by Sunoco.
3. Michele Truitt, 1430 Grand Oak Lane, reported that on June 2, 2019, her parents unavoidably drove through the drilling fluid and grout puddle at Wilson Drive and Boot Road. The car has corrosive damage from the materials in the fluid. She expressed concern that other people may have driven through it. Mary Jean asked what happens if this material goes in sewer. Caroline stated that if any

goes in sewer, construction will be shut down due to the Clean Air Council agreement.

4. Melissa DiBernardino, 1602 Old Orchard Lane, asked for an update on the PennDOT study regarding Boot Road and Wilson Drive. David stated that the study was found out to be insufficient. Another study will take place at night during the first week of August. This study will be released to the public. David stated that PennDOT continues to inspect the site in the interim. Melissa raised concern about the content of the mixture from the IR and its effect on private wells and public water.

Chairman's Report

1. Caroline thanked Bill for filling in as Chair in her absence.
2. The following topics were discussed:
 - a. At the Pennsylvania House Emergency Preparedness and Veteran's Affairs hearing Joe McGinn testified that municipalities are responsible for emergency response planning. There was discussion that the Township and Emergency Services are aware of this and a plan is in place. Caroline and Christina expressed concern that an all-hazards approach is not sufficient.
 - b. Middletown Township sent a letter to the PUC regarding the sinkhole in Delaware County.
 - c. Mariner One and the 12-inch bypass lines are exposed in a creek in Exton.
 - d. A Berks County resident filed a civil suit against Sunoco due to his family becoming sick after contamination to his well.
 - e. Wilmer Baker, a Cumberland County resident, had a PUC complaint hearing against Sunoco. Cumberland County passed a resolution related to Mariner and its safety concerns.
 - f. A Reading resident is dealing with \$20,000 worth of damage to his home due to water runoff issues possibly caused by Sunoco construction. Caroline expressed concern because of the incredible rain and storm water runoff experienced in this area this could be an issue.

Reporting

1. Legislative Update

Bill explained that he and members from East Goshen Safe Environment Advocates have attended 4 separate meetings with legislators Killion, Comitta and Dinniman and Joe McGinn from Sunoco. There was discussion about the Restore PA Plan and the severance tax that it proposes. Bill stated that 75 bills have been introduced in the last 4 years regarding pipelines – none of which have been passed.

Bill talked about the fugitive dust issue and stated a meeting with Sunoco and Carolyn Comitta was scheduled for July 26.

2. Current Events Impacting East Goshen

Rick stated that the drill has been moved to the Executive Center.

Rick stated that when the Township receives the request from Sunoco for 24x7 drilling, the Board of Supervisors will hold a public meeting to solicit public comment.

There was discussion about dual pull backs and direct pipe boring method. Concern was expressed about the amount of space between the pipes being installed. Rick stated that the direct pipe bore method is not being proposed in East Goshen; this was proposed for Exton.

Old Business

1. PUC rulemaking proposal on Safety Regulations
The TF discussed the draft letter from to the PUC from the County. Caroline made a motion to ask the Board of Supervisors to write a letter supporting the efforts outlined in the draft. Christina seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 7-0.
2. There was discussion about the TF editing and adding comments to the Google doc for the PUC Safety Rulemaking. Marty stated that the Board of Supervisors would like to see the TF's comments when complete and suggested that they be submitted to the PUC along with the Chester County Association of Township Officials (CCATO). The TF will review and update with their comments and hold a meeting on August 8, 2019, @ 5:00 pm to complete and compile their comments to present to the Board of Supervisors.
3. Remaining agenda items will be discussed at the next meeting if time allows.

Action Items for TF

The next meeting is Thursday, August 8, 2019, at 5:00 pm.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan D'Amore

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