

**PIPELINE TASK FORCE WORKSHOP MEETING  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
THURSDAY, August 22, 2019  
FINAL MINUTES**

**Present:** Members: Judi DiFonzo, Karen Miller, Christina Morley, Gerald Sexton; Rick Smith, Township Manager

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

Gerry called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

**Moment of Silence**

Gerry called for a moment of silence to honor our first responders, those that have served in the military and those that lost their lives for the country.

**Recording**

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

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from August 8, 2019, were unanimously approved as amended.

**Public Comment**

1. Mary Jean Naftzger, 439 Gateswood Drive, raised the subject of the current Sunoco television ads. She stated that these ads show a happy homeowner's story. She questioned how her side of the story could be advertised or presented to the press. Christina advised Mary Jean to reach out to community groups on social media. Gerry asked for an action item to refer to Caroline for input to this topic for Mary Jean.
2. Brian Sweet, 646 Meadow Drive, stated that he attended the Governor Wolf visit to the pipeline site (today) at the Giant Shopping Center – Village Square in East Goshen. Brian stated that the Governor was asked if he was to going to stop ME construction, and he replied, "No".
3. Karen Payne, 1428 Linden Lane, ask about how long the construction was going to last. Rick explained that Sunoco states that construction will be done by the end of 2020. Sunoco is obligated to also plant grass and reshape the ground. She asked about trees currently being removed on Boot Road. Rick explained this was not Sunoco and possibly work being done by PennDOT. Karen also asked if there is any evidence about declining home values due to the pipeline. Rick stated that there is no evidence.
4. Bob Walentis, 1428 Linden Lane, asked about the judge's ruling against continuing Sunoco construction. Rick explained that this did not pertain to East Goshen.
5. Chuck Danneburg, 1713 Towne Drive, thanked the Task Force (TF) for their efforts. He asked for everyone to introduce themselves.

### **Chairman's Report/Legislative Update/Current Events**

1. Gerry reported that at the Board of Supervisors (BOS) meeting on August 20, the comments submitted by the TF were approved. Rick stated the comments were mailed (postal) to the PUC on August 21. These comments will be posted on the website. The Chester County Association of Township Official's comments will also be posted to the website.
2. Christina stated that the joint comments submitted from Goshen United for Public Safety and Del-Chesco United for Pipeline Safety were extremely well-written and thought out. Gerry asked if a link to the PUC website for comment can be put on the Township website. Susan will add on Friday (8/24).
3. Rick and Christina mentioned that the Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup> Daily Local News stated that the investigation to the "loud boom" at the Boot Road pumping station was opened, reviewed and closed with no further explanation. Follow up regarding this incident, including next steps, will be discussed at the next TF meeting.
4. Gerry reported that Caroline will share information about a meeting she attended on Tuesday, 8/20 with State Representative Carolyn Comitta.
5. Gerry stated a letter from the Township regarding a request from Sunoco to work around the clock instead of 7 am to 10 pm was mailed out to all residents. Rick explained a separate letter and were mailed to those residents that will be directly impacted (500 feet of drilling site). The survey requesting their feedback is due to the Township on September 12. There will be a public meeting on September 19, 2019, at 7 pm at Fugett Middle School. Gerry encouraged all to attend. Rick clarified that Sunoco will be attending the meeting for questions and answers. The BOS will listen to public comment in the order:
  - 1) EGT residents directly impacted
  - 2) EGT residents
  - 3) If time permits - from non-EGT residents

Stephanie Henson, 167 Birchwood Drive, asked if the School District and UPS was informed. Rick stated that Dr. Scanlon was informed. Christina suggested that Dr. Scanlon and the school board should be invited to attend. She expressed concern that the drilling would coincide with the school calendar. Judi stated that this concern can be raised at the next school board meeting during public comment.

6. There was discussion regarding the letter sent from Dr. Samuel T. Ariaratnam to Rick supporting the 24x7 pullback. Christina asked Rick if he email Dr. Ariaratnam asking that in his 22 years of experience:
  - a. How many projects proposed by Sunoco were in a high consequence areas (HCA) that were densely populated?

- b. How many HDD projects had the same geology that comprises of East Goshen Township?
  - c. What steps does he suggest to mitigate the noise, dust and vibration?
7. Rick explained that the BOS approval of working around the clock is contingent upon the 12 inch spacing between the pipes when installed. Gerry stated that for those who cannot attend the 9/19 meeting, send questions to Rick for Sunoco and the BOS to address.

### **Old Business**

1. The TF agreed to table the review of the legislative bills. The TF members are to summarize their respective bills and email to the group.

### **New Business**

1. **Consider a letter to the DEP sharing concerns regarding the direct Pipe Boring method as stated in the Exton Bypass Crossing Analysis** - The TF discussed the Exton Bypass Crossing Analysis. The public comment period for this item has passed (June 13). The TF agreed to review the analysis and provide comments in a google doc before the next TF meeting. Susan will set up google doc.
2. **Discuss ABC 2020 Budget Request** - The TF discussed the 2020 budget. There was discussion that this could be used for a professional ad for the newsletter, website or social media. Rick asked Susan to order name plates for the TF members. The TF members will discuss the budget item again at the next meeting. Christina asked if there could be a CPR training offered township wide. Rick will check with Jason Lang. There was discussion regarding inviting other Townships to attend the TF meetings.
3. **Discuss Emergency Plan** - The TF briefly discussed forming a working group to focus on an emergency plan. This working group could be comprised of members from the public and the Pipeline Task Force. Christina stated that the Chester County Commissioners are becoming more actively involved on safety regarding Mariner East. She stated that Michele Truitt is still interested in participating in a subcommittee or working group. Gerry asked to table this discussion until the next meeting when more TF members are present to participate.

The next meeting is Thursday, September 26, 2019, at 5:00 pm.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Susan D'Amore*

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