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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
1580 PAOLI PIKE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2019
FINAL APPROVED MINUTES**

Present: Chairwoman Janet Emanuel; Vice-Chair Marty Shane; Members Mike Lynch, David Shuey and Carmen Battavio; Township Manager Rick Smith; Director of Finance and Assistant Township Manager Jon Altshul; Erich Meyer (Conservancy Board); Bill Wegemann and Christina Morley (Pipeline Task Force)

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Janet called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked Chief Bernot to lead the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence

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

Recording

Janet announced that the meeting was being livestreamed on the Township's YouTube Channel.

Westtown-East Goshen Police Report

Chief Bernot reported that WEGO is running campaign drives for Toys for Tots and One Warm Coat this holiday season. She noted that there's a drop-off box for gently-used coats in the Township building. She also recommended that residents sign up for a program called ReportIt, on-line platform on which they can create an inventory of valuable person property that can be referenced. Carmen asked about the security of the database.

Chairman's Report

Janet made the following announcements:

- The Board of Supervisors is looking for residents to fill vacancies on the Pipeline Task Force, Conservancy Board and Historical Commission
- We have received the PA DEP and Army Corps of Engineers permits for the Hershey's Mill Dam
- PennDOT has opened bids for Segments C-E of the Paoli Pike Trail and the winning bid came back under-budget.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Ron Cocco, 633 N. Speakman Lane, raised concerns about the new drill at the New Kent site. He noted that the sound at his property seems to have doubled recently and asked whether the new drill may impact the pullback schedule. Rick noted that he is not aware of any change in the pullback schedule and that the sections between the Executive Center and New Kent and Bow Tree and Ss. Simon and Jude are still scheduled for

1 pullback by the end of this year. Rick stated that he would send the sound engineer out to
2 Mr. Cocco's property to take noise readings.

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4 Russ Frank, 451 Gateswood Drive, asked if there would be a valve station at the Goshen
5 Executive Center. Rick said there would not be.

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7 Henry Zawada, Honey Brook Township, raised concerns about drinking water along the
8 pipeline route and a possible link with cancer. Janet recommended that Mr. Zawada meet
9 with the Township's Pipeline Task Force.

10 11 **Fire Reports**

12 Carmen reported that in October in East Goshen Township, the Goshen Fire Company
13 responded to 19 fire calls, 12 fire police calls and 170 EMS calls; the Malvern Fire
14 Company responded to 31 EMS calls, including 2 BLS calls and 29 ALS calls; and Good
15 Fellowship responded to 44 ALS calls.

16 17 **Financial Report**

18 Jon reported that as of October 31, the General Fund had a positive budget variance of
19 \$447,910. He noted that there were some positive trends in October, but that he did not
20 formally update his year-end projection from last month, which showed a modest year-
21 end deficit.

22 23 **Approval of Minutes of November 12, 2019**

24 Carmen made a motion to approve the minutes of November 12, 2019, as amended.
25 Marty seconded. The motion passed 4-0 (David arrived late to the meeting).

26 27 **Treasurer's Report of November 7, 2019**

28 Carmen made a motion to graciously accept the receipts and approve the expenditures as
29 presented in the Expenditure Register and as summarized in the Treasurer's Report.
30 Marty seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

31 32 **Consider recommendations on Noise Ordinance**

33 Rick provided background on the deficiencies of the existing noise ordinance,
34 specifically that when Sunoco continued to do a dual pull after 10pm a few weeks ago,
35 there was no practical way to cite them as we didn't have sound meters on a receiving
36 property. He explained that the new proposed noise ordinance would lower the standard
37 for a violation to being able to hear noise on a receiving property at night. He also
38 recommended that the new ordinance be a stand-alone ordinance that is not part of the
39 Zoning Ordinance and that it establish a clearer permitting process.

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41 Mike asked whether the proposed ordinance reflected the comments and suggestions that
42 were included in Willis and Marjorie Guyer's letter that was part of the meeting
43 materials. Rick indicated that many of the Guyer's recommendations were in the new
44 ordinance. However, he noted that the proposed ordinance would require notification of
45 neighbors about any noise permits five days before an event, which is less time than the
46 two weeks that the Guyers had suggested.

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2 Carmen asked whether the Township should deny noise permits for the Guyer's neighbor
3 who holds many outdoor concerts every year. Janet observed that the draft ordinance
4 would limit the number of noise permits a resident could receive to two per year, so that
5 major events, including graduation parties or backyard weddings could generally be
6 allowed.

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8 Marty observed that Township staff still needs to do a lot of work to bring all of the
9 sound provisions in the Zoning Ordinance over to the proposed stand-alone noise
10 ordinance. Rick indicated that he would get a new draft ordinance to the Board shortly.

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12 David asked if the ordinance is enforceable if there's no meter set up. Rick explained that
13 the criteria for a violation would be if you can hear noise at night at the receiving
14 property line.

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16 **Consider Amendment to Non-Uniformed Defined Contribution Plan**

17 Jon explained that the Township has received sufficient state pension aid over the past
18 several years to contribute 5.5% of wages to the non-uniformed pension plan, or 0.5%
19 more than the default rate of 5.0%. He noted that there was an underlying increase in unit
20 values of about 9% this year, so he was recommending this funding level again this year,
21 and further that the Board maintain this funding level moving forward, rather than letting
22 it fall back to 5% next year.

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24 Marty made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-61 amending the East Goshen Township
25 Non-Uniformed Defined Contribution Pension Plan for 2019. Carmen seconded. The
26 motion passed 5-0.

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28 **Any Other Matter**

29 Jon reported that Nate Cline will be presenting a work plan about the Bow Tree I pond
30 project on the evening of January 14, 2020, to interested residents. The Township will
31 send a letter about the meeting to Bow Tree residents next month. He also added that due
32 to the dredging at Marydell, the Township will need to be much more vigilant about
33 enforcing the prohibition on skating on township ponds. He stated that the Park and
34 Recreation Commission would be considering amending the park rules to reflect this
35 prohibition.

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37 **Correspondence, Reports of Interest**

38 The Board acknowledged receipt of the November 7, 2019, Notice of Violation from
39 DEP to Sunoco Pipeline LP. David made a motion to send a letter to the DEP
40 recommending that Sunoco cease any construction activity at HDD 520 until Sunoco
41 comes into full compliance with the stipulations on pages 2 and 3 of the violation letter.
42 Mike seconded.

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44 Christina Morley, Pipeline Task Force, noted that Sunoco made no attempt to conceal the
45 changes to its pullback site and that Sunoco seemed to be betting on the fact that no one
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Carmen asked if the Pipeline Task Force received a copy of the letter, and Rick stated that he would make sure they did.

Marty asked the Pipeline Task Force to take appropriate steps to ensure that this type of issue doesn't happen again.

The motion passed 5-0.

The Board also acknowledged the other following correspondence:

- November 6, 2019, letter regarding proposed noise ordinance amendments
- November 8, 2019, notice of intent from Adelpia to apply for a General Permit for work associated with upgrading the valve on Paoli Pike
- Third Quarter Right to Know report
- November 15, 2019, recap of November 9 e-waste event

Marty asked Jon to price out the cost of the Township hosting a shredding event. He also noted that the new PPU report is a nice improvement.

Carmen asked about a rumor that TVs would no longer be accepted at the ewaste events. Jon had not heard anything about this.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mike made a motion to adjourn at 8:15pm. David seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Altshul
Recording Secretary

Attached: Treasurer's Report of November 15, 2019

TREASURER'S REPORT November 8 - November 15, 2019

RECEIPTS AND BILLS

GENERAL FUND

Real Estate Tax	\$2,295.31	Accounts Payable	\$25,697.32
Earned Income Tax	\$50,246.78	<u>Electronic Pmts:</u>	
Local Service Tax	\$5,504.47	Credit Card	\$0.00
Transfer Tax	\$0.00	Postage	\$10.53
<i>General Fund Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Debt Service	\$0.00
Total Other Revenue	\$60,193.64	Payroll	\$80,394.88
Total General Fund Receipts:	\$118,240.20	Total Expenditures:	\$106,102.73

STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total State Liquid Fuels Receipts:	\$0.00	Total Expenditures:	\$0.00

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$4,524.18
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Capital Reserve Fund Receipts:	\$0.00	Total Expenditures:	\$4,524.18

TRANSPORTATION FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Transportation Fund Receipts:	\$0.00	Total Expenditures:	\$0.00

SEWER OPERATING FUND

Receipts	\$85,759.11	Accounts Payable	\$6,917.37
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
		<i>Debt Service</i>	\$0.00
Total Sewer Operating Fund Receipts:	\$85,759.11	Total Expenditures:	\$6,917.37

REFUSE FUND

Receipts	\$17,540.37	Accounts Payable	\$3,387.54
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Refuse Fund Receipts:	\$17,540.37	Total Expenditures:	\$3,387.54

BOND FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Bond Fund Receipts:	\$0.00	Total Expenditures:	\$0.00

SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$7,515.54
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Sewer Capital Reserve Fund Receipts:	\$0.00	Total Expenditures:	\$7,515.54

OPERATING RESERVE FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Operating Reserve Fund Receipts:	\$0.00	Total Expenditures:	\$0.00

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