

**PIPELINE TASK FORCE MEETING
1580 PAOLI PIKE
THURSDAY, October 24, 2019
FINAL MINUTES**

Present: Vice Chair Bill Wegemann; Members: Judi DiFonzo, Karen Miller, Christina Morley, Gerald Sexton; David Shuey, Liaison, Township Supervisor; Mike Lynch, Township Supervisor; Jon Altshul, Assistant Township Manager

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

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

Moment of Silence

Bill called for a moment of silence to honor those that lost their lives in the military service.

Recording

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

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from September 26, 2019, were unanimously approved as revised.

Public Comment

1. none

Chairman's Report

1. Bill explained that on 10/12/19, it was reported that Sunoco was drilling passed 10:00 pm at the Boot Road / Wellington (East Goshen) and Boot Road / Fire Hall (West Goshen) sites. David reported that he visited both sites that night. Both sites were shut down by 11:45 pm. It was reported that Sunoco worked past the 10:00 pm ordinance restriction because the pipe became stuck in the borehole. Bill asked if the Township could request from the PUC what integrity testing was done on the pipe that was stuck in order to measure if the coating was damage. Jon stated that he will talk to Rick about reaching out to his contacts.

David explained that East Goshen's Construction ordinance is a sound ordinance only. It does not apply to times that construction can take place. There was no decibel meter at the site on 10/12/19; therefore, East Goshen Township could not site Sunoco of noise violation. David also explained that the Board of Supervisors is looking to implement a construction ordinance.

2. Bill explained that the Safety 7 Hearing took place on 10/23 & 10/24 for lay person testimony. Some Task Force (TF) members were in attendance. The TF discussed their experiences at the hearing. The expert witness testimony will be held in July 2020.

Legislative Update

Bill stated that he reviewed all the current pipeline bills. Only one of these bills has been passed (# 242). No bills regarding pipeline safety have been presented to the Governor.

1. Current Events Impacting East Goshen

- a. Jon stated that Sunoco is on schedule. They are reevaluating whether they will use the dual pull method. Judi asked if there has been any update to the comments that were submitted to DEP on October 4. Jon reported that to date there is no update. Bill asked if there has been any updates on the Adelphia pipeline. Jon reported that there is no update.

Old Business

Emergency Plan – The TF discussed the formation of a working group to focus on a township emergency plan. There was discussion that an emergency plan should not be done just at the Township level. Chester County is currently forming a Pipeline Task Force that is to meet quarterly. David will check with Marty Shane to see if an emergency plan is on the Chester County Association of Township Officials' (CCATO) agenda.

David read the summary from PennDOT of the Boot Road Study. He stated there are 2 other reports that he has requested. He will share the report(s) with the TF.

New Business

- a. The TF acknowledged Russ Frank's resignation.
- b. The TF discussed the hiring of a professional geologist (as opposed to a professional hydrogeologist) to:
 - Review the HDD Reevaluation Report
 - Possibly provide the Township and TF with maps of the area showing the bedrock and geology breakdown.Jon stated that he will reach out to the Township engineers to see if they have a geologist on staff.
- c. In regards to the 2020 budget, the TF discussed having a mailer detailing specific evacuation and reporting information regarding Mariner. Bill motioned for \$2,000 be budgeted in 2020 for education and training that will be identified later throughout the year. Karen seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
- d. The TF agreed to table further discussion about recommendations to the Emergency Response Plan. Jon will email a copy of the current Township Emergency plan to all TF members.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan D'Amore

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