

Futurist Committee  
Agenda  
Thursday, March 19, 2020  
7:00 PM

1. Call to order
2. Pledge/Moment of Silence
3. Approval of Minutes: February 17, 2020
4. Old Business
5. New Business
  - a. Consider plans for engaging a broader group of East Goshen neighborhoods on our future vision for EGT: timing and target groups.
  - b. Consider other ideas for communication in addition to the March newsletter.
  - c. Review Futurist goals as laid out in the 2015 Comprehensive Plan And align 2020 goals. Consider BOS goal recommendations for Futurist Committee for 2020 as laid out in recent BOS minutes.
6. Public Comments
7. Adjournment

## East Goshen Township

### Futurist Committee

February 17, 2020

#### Present

- Tom Kilburn (Chair)
- Rod Vaughn (Vice Chair)
- Brandon Groff, member
- Brian Sweet, member
- Marty Shane, BOS Liaison
- Michele Truitt, BOS

Tom Kilburn presented the motion that the January minutes be approved; Rod Vaughn seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Multiple residents joined the meeting to understand the Futurist Committee objectives, understand involvement with TND, and understand the intent of the small group meetings mentioned in prior minutes.

Tom & Rod provided history & background of the Futurist Committee including the research and evaluation that led to the town center concept.

Multiple questions/comments from residents that joined the meeting and discussion including:

- Housing breakdown in East Goshen – ~30% apartments, ~30% semi-attached, ~40% single-family (Michele Truitt)
- Questions about crime, estimated crime growth and policing costs over time, added policing costs if there were additional housing in the township (Leo S)
  - Futurist committee reviewed policing/fire dept early on – well run and no need for additional support from committee
- Concerns about TND leading to additional development in the township increasing congestion and overdevelopment. Concerns with potential building height, setbacks, and aesthetics (Dan Truitt)
- Moved here for great school districts, not a town center (Russ F)
- December meeting has not been rescheduled. Concern about small meetings mentioned in prior Futurist committee meeting minutes.
  - **Small group/neighborhood meetings are intended to allow further conversations and gather feedback from residents, answer questions, and increase involvement in township meetings and committees**
- Belief that majority of residents are opposed to additional residential development in East Goshen (Gordon D)
- Feeling that the Giant complex by Hershey's Mill serves as a town center (George T)

- Feeling that the inclusion of additional residential being allowed is the primary concern with TND (Dan T)
- Suggestions to survey East Goshen residents via NextDoor or via mail (Dan T & Leo S)
- Suggested decorative trees & lighting along Paoli Pike – general agreement in the room on this point (John A)
- Questions about business park evaluation, requested copy of business park plan (Leo S)
  - **Follow-up: Non-residents make up ~26% of EIT revenue for East Goshen (~\$1.25M annually)**

### **March Meeting**

The next Futurist Committee Meeting will be on March 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

### **Meeting Adjournment**

Tom Kilburn asked for meeting adjournment at 8:30 and Ron Vaughn seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Groff, committee member

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
CHESTER COUNTY  
1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

March 4, 2020

East Goshen Township ABC Members  
1580 Paoli Pike  
West Chester, PA 19380

Dear ABC Members:

The East Goshen Township ABC Annual Planning Session was held on Tuesday, January 28, 2020.

The time change of this planning meeting from a Saturday morning to a week night increased the attendance of ABC members by over 50% from 2019. This resulted in one of the best planning sessions that we have had to date, and it was due in no small part to the efforts of the ABC members in attendance.

Enclosed is a list of the goals that were presented at the planning session. At their meeting on March 3, 2020, the Board of Supervisors approved these goals. The Board also requested that each ABC focus on the goals that will help achieve objectives set forth in the Comp Plan.

Sincerely,



Louis F. Smith, Jr.  
Township Manager

Enclosure

# 2020 East Goshen Township ABC Goals

## Conservancy Board

- Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day on April 18, 2020. **Comp Plan Objective 11.4**
- Continue maintenance of the blue bird houses in Applebrook
- Continue maintaining Clymer's Woods – replacing dead trees and reapplying wood chips around the trees.
- Maintain the riparian buffer along the creeks **Comp Plan Objective 11.1**
- Continue invasive species control. **Comp Plan Objective 11.6**
- Continue assisting with the pond restoration projects as needed.

## Futurist Committee

- Community outreach meetings and resident communications to gather feedback on what residents want to see or not see in East Goshen.
- Business Park Strategic Plan **Comp Plan Objective 7.3 & 7.5**
- Revisit the Futurist Committee Vision statement with the Board of Supervisors to ensure alignment.

## Municipal Authority

- Continue to monitor the upgrades at West Goshen Sewer Treatment Plant and Westtown Way Pump Station. **Comp Plan Objective 10.1**
- Continue to implement the Inflow and Infiltration Plan for the Sewer System **Comp Plan Objective 10.1**
- Continue to operate the Sewer Treatment Plant in compliance with PADEP permit requirements. **Comp Plan Objective 10.1**
- Implement Planned Projects Program:
  - Ridley Creek Sewer Treatment Plant
    - Emergency Generator Replacement
    - Caustic Soda Project
  - Pump Stations
    - Hershey's Mill Pump Station Generator replacement
    - Hunt Country Pump Station Mag Meter replacement
    - Hunt Country Pump Station Muffin Monster replacement
    - Hunt Country Pump Station Bypass Pump
  - Sewer System
    - Two (2) new Ridley Creek Sewer System Permanent Flow Meters

## Park and Recreation Commission

- Develop marketing, programming and trail rules for the Paoli Pike Trail. **Comp Plan Objective 8.6**
- Develop plan for 2021 Full Day summer camp program at East Goshen Elementary. **Comp Plan Objective 9.4**

- Finalize design elements for the amphitheater band shell in preparation for 2021 grant applications. **Comp Plan Objective 9.3**
- Offer nature and art focused programming. **Comp Plan Objective 9.4**
- Host West Chester University's Carnival of Ruin. **Comp Plan Objective 9.4**

### Pipeline Task Force

- Review and assess regulatory and technical aspects of pipeline infrastructure projects. **Comp Plan Objective 10.6**
- Provide comments to BOS on relevant pipeline legislation (State and Federal) and regulatory documentation (PUC, FERC, PHMSA, DEP). **Comp Plan Objective 10.6**
- Advise BOS regarding pipeline incidents such as inadvertent returns during drilling, sinkhole formation, ground water issues, noise ordinance violations, spills, leaks and any other environmental violations.
- Recommend securing services of a licensed professional geologist for consultation on relevant documentation, legislation and issues.
- Address questions and concerns from residents regarding pipeline activities.
- Provide input to BOS on communications (i.e. Newsletters, Constant Contact Notifications) to residents regarding pipeline issues and activities.
- Continue investigation of Boot Road Geophysical Survey Reports.
- Provide recommendations to BOS and Planning Commission regarding pipeline setbacks and consultation zones for zoning ordinances. **Comp Plan Objective 6.4**
- Fill vacancy on Task Force.
- Meet with state representatives, state senators, and county commissioners on pipeline issues.
- Provide input to Chester County Pipeline Safety Advisory Board. Contribute to development of an emergency response plan.
- Continue investigation of air quality monitoring and leak detection systems for areas surrounding pipelines.
- Continue investigation of dust monitoring and dust control measures at pipeline construction areas.
- Interact with the Sustainability Advisory Committee.

### Historical Commission

- Invite local scouting troops for a tour of Blacksmith Shop. **Comp Plan Objective 13.1**
- Have a blacksmith challenge to see who could win the title making an 18<sup>th</sup> century knife or tool. **Comp Plan Objective 13.1**
- Interact with other historical groups. **Comp Plan Objective 13.1**
- Do "The Battle of the Clouds" presentation again. **Comp Plan Objective 13.1**
- Connect the Blacksmith Shop with the Paoli Pike Trail. **Comp Plan Objective 6.2 & 8.6**
- Reorganize the HC office in the township building.

- Coordinate our activities with are other events in the area. **Comp Plan Objective 13.1**

### Planning Commission

- Continue support for following Comprehensive Plan implementing strategies:
  - Objective 6.1 & 6.2 to develop the Town Center and Paoli Pike Corridor
  - Objective 6.3 transforming the West Chester Pike Corridor into a more functional and attractive artery.
  - Objective 7.2 promoting the enhancement of business opportunities along the West Chester Pike Corridor.
  - Objective 9.1 maintaining and expanding the Open Space, Recreation, and Trails Network.
  - Objective 9.2 developing the Paoli Pike Trail to create the linkage between West Chester and Malvern through East Goshen from West Goshen to Willistown.
- Business Park Vitalization – review BP ordinance for possible enhancements to promote Business Park Longevity **Comp Plan Objective 7.3 & 7.5**
- Support BOS request for any review of Zoning Ordinance to support Pipeline Safety **Comp Plan Objective 6.4**
- Support BOS request to review existing township Zoning Ordinances for possible revision and updates. **Comp Plan Objective 6.4**

### Sustainability Advisory Committee

- Work with the Boy and Girl Scouts to help our youngest residents become future environmentalists.
- Charging stations for current owners of electric and hybrid vehicles is a goal of our committee. **Comp Plan Objective 12.2**
- Work on a proposal for an East Goshen Community Garden which would lead to a home grown Farmer’s Market in 2021. A special component of this will be a designated section of plots for children and teens with training sessions to help them.
- A parallel program of educational modules for elementary students at our 2 schools is another work in progress. These will be offered as in classroom opportunities, before and after school programs, and assembly presentations.
- In March, we are offering at least 4 educational sessions.
  - The first will focus on Solar and Geothermal options for homeowners and businesses. **Comp Plan Objective 10.5**
  - The second will provide information on composting, pesticide free lawns and gardens and advice on buying organic products and produce. **Comp Plan Objective 10.5**

- The third subject will concentrate on water management, to cover storm drains, watering lawns and gardens sustainably, and the purchase and utilization of rain barrels. **Comp Plan Objective 10.5**
- The fourth presentation will cover how to recycle everything we possibly can to responsibly help protect our environment. **Comp Plan Objective 10.2**
- Collaboration with other East Goshen ABCs on potential joint projects.
- Once we have a number of workshops under our belts for young people in our elementary schools and park, we aim for a joint program with adjacent townships for the junior and high schools in our area.
- Work with other Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committees from nearby municipalities.