

East Goshen Township
Sustainability Advisory Committee
Meeting Agenda
Monday, December 21, 2020
7:00 PM

1. Call to Order – Christi Supple
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Kipp Happ
3. Moment of Silence – Kipp Happ
4. Ask if anyone is recording this meeting – Christi Supple
5. Chairman’s Report
6. Approval of minutes –
 - a. November 16, 2020
7. Staff Reports - Jason Lang will explain our January reorganization meeting
8. Old Business
 - a. Report on hosting of COG Energy Meeting on January 19 - we are zoom hosts for our 6 Townships.
 - b. Review of SAC priorities for 2021 - items to include in our committee report for January ABC meeting.
 - c. Discussion of documentary "Kiss the Ground" for ecological application to East Goshen terrain and agriculture - invite expert to discuss in zoom seminar.
9. New Business
 - a. Convert 2 recent recommendations into motions if needed for authorization - regarding Energy Star Portfolio Manager Account registration and link to PECO account(s), and authorizing PECO to conduct a high-level facilities audit.
 - b. Consider a motion for a utility bill audit from an independent company. This audit will either be free, or payment will be made only in negotiated percentage of savings recovered.
 - c. Scheduling of training by Kelly for SAC members; use of social media to publicize SAC seminars, programs and events.
10. Public Comments
11. Correspondence
12. Adjourn Meeting

East Goshen Township
Sustainability Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes, draft
Monday, November 16, 2020
7:00 PM

1. Call to Order – Christi Supple 7:05pm
 - a. Present: C. Supple, K. Happ, B. Hutchison, T.Kilburn, M. McKlosky, M. Kruger, K Markus, D. Shuey, J. Lang
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Kipp Happ
3. Moment of Silence – Kipp Happ
4. Ask if anyone is recording this meeting – Christi Supple
 - a. No one recording meeting other than J. Lang for the minutes.
5. Chairman’s Report
 - a. C. Supple opened that this meeting focus on beginning to decide 2021 SAC goals and objectives. She also mentioned the Crayon recycling program, J. Lang to help solicit donations. She also reminded fellow SAC members of the upcoming Monday meeting with Patti that will include dropping off the political campaign signs for recycling. The 12/5 e-recycling event was also promoted.
6. Approval of minutes –
 - a. September 28, 2020
 - b. October 26, 2020
 - i. Motion to approve the minutes as presented
 1. B. Hutchison
 2. T. Kilburn
 3. All in favor – Sept. and Oct. meeting minutes approved
7. Staff Reports
8. Old Business
 - a. Review of SAC priorities for 2021
 - i. C. Supple led the discussion; each SAC member discussed a potential priority.
 1. M. McKloskey – single use plastic bags
 2. K. Happ – local ordinances; solar and land uses
 3. B. Hutchison – energy usage, waste reduction and utilizing the CADMUS report
 4. K. Markus – green markets, composting
 5. T. Killion – waste reduction and recycling

6. M. Krueger – more education about waste and recycling, maybe get Patti to do another webinar
7. C. Supple – composting, community garden
- ii. D. Shuey discussed the Pipeline Saturation ordinance
- b. Report by Tom on waste management recommendations
 - i. T. Kilburn remarked that in the last ten years not much progress has been made, waste is up 2% and recycling is down 8%. SAC discussed whether a tote style recycling receptacle would increase residential recycling. J. Lang noted that the waste contract was up in early 2021 and now would be the time to discuss with the BOS.
- c. Discussion of documentary “Kiss the Ground” for ecological application to East Goshen terrain and agriculture

9. New Business

- a. Scheduling of training by Kelly for SAC members use of social media to publicize SAC seminars and activities
 - i. K. Markus discussed creating an annual marketing campaign. Her recommendation was that the SAC identify a clear list of goals with associated action items so she could then create the marketing campaign.
- b. Final priorities for SAC for remainder of 2020
 - i. D. Shuey discussed that SOL Smart and the recently passed ordinance making it easier for East Goshen home owners to install solar on their roof; new ordinance falls in line with national fire safety regulations.
- c. January – Reorganization
 - i. C. Supple tabled until the SAC’s December meeting.

10. Public Comments

- a. None

11. Correspondence

- a. None

12. Adjourn Meeting

- a. 1st – K. Happ
- b. 2nd – T. Kilburn
- c. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 9:06p

Memo

East Goshen Township

Date: December 2, 2020

To: Business Park Task Force
Conservancy Board
Futurist Committee
Historical Commission
Municipal Authority
Park and Rec Commission
Pipeline Task Force
Planning Commission
Sustainability Advisory Committee

From: Susan D'Amore

Re: Annual Planning Session

The Annual Planning Session will be held on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

At that meeting each ABC will be able to provide a summary of their accomplishments in 2020 as well as their goals for 2021.

In preparation of this meeting, please provide to me your accomplishments and goals by January 22, 2021 to be included in the agenda packet.

Outlined below are the goals provided from each ABC that attended the 2020 Planning Session on January 28, 2020.

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.

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 18th 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**

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.

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.