

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
January 13, 2021**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, the meeting was held via Zoom conferencing. Members in attendance are indicated in **BOLD**:

Chairman, Walter Wujcik
Vice Chairman, Sandra Snyder
Erich Meyer
Scott Sanders
Dan Flynn
Leo Sinclair
Alice Lenthe

Others present were:

Michele Truitt, Township Supervisor
Mark Gordon, Zoning Officer

Call to Order

Walter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Walter led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and then asked for a moment of silence to remember our troops, first responders and healthcare personnel.

Minutes

The minutes of the December 9, 2020 meeting were approved.

Chairman's Report

Walter introduced and welcomed Alice Lenthe who is a new member of the Conservancy Board. Alice mentioned that she became an East Goshen resident in 1988. She worked in the environmental health and safety field at Weston and Merck and just retired from Villanova so, she wants to give back to the community.

Old Business

1. Clymer's Woods - On Saturday, December 12, 2020 Walter, Erich, Michele and Dan Truitt and one of the Truitt's neighbors met at Clymer's Woods to spread mulch. They finished about half of the trees and plan to finish the rest in the spring.

2. Goals - Walter mentioned that the annual ABC meeting will be held on Tuesday January 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Walter explained what is done at this meeting. The Board members reviewed the 2020 Accomplishments and the 2021 Goals. Walter will make the presentation at the meeting.

New Business

1. Reorganization

Sandy nominated Walter as Chairman. Erich seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimous.

Walter nominated Sandy as Vice Chair. Leo seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimous.

2. Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day – The tentative date for this event is Saturday, April 17, 2021. Because of the pandemic, last year's event was delayed until October.

3. Spring Planting – There was discussion about Clymer's Woods. The trees were originally planted in 2011 as part of the trees the YMCA had to provide because of the trees they had to remove to build their facility. Sandy suggested that the shrubs by the bridge be checked. Walter mentioned that there are a few dead trees and some of the fencing is down. They will set up a date at the February meeting to do a site walk to see what needs to be done.

4. Tree Trimming – Mark commented that PECO has a tree trimming and removal project going in the North section of the township at Hershey's Mill because they keep losing power. He explained about a new remote switch they are also installing which would restart the power. Walter mentioned that Michele Truitt suggested that the Board provide information to the community about this. Walter will contact Scott to see if he will write an article for the next newsletter about tree trimming around power lines. Mark also mentioned that PECO has a grant program for planting trees. The Township applied for this grant and should hear something in the spring. They plan to use it to plant trees at the new Hershey's Mill Dam park area.

Liaison Reports

1. Municipal Authority - Walter reported that the plant is running well. There is a sewer line in Hershey Mill Estates that needs to be replaced. They will meet with the DEP to get necessary permits to start the work there. We are still working with West Goshen about the costs for the improvements at the Westtown Way Pump Station.

2. Hershey's Mill Dam – Mark reported that the dam has been breached and certified. Work has started. However, they had a setback with the heavy rain storm at Christmas.

3. Planning Commission – Mark reported that the Commission is working on a pipeline ordinance.

4. Business Park Task Force – Mark reported that this is a new committee that will interact with the businesses in the township. They will meet the first Monday of the month if anyone would like to attend.

Correspondence

None

Any Other Matter

1. Mark mentioned that at the intersection of Boot Road and N. Chester Rd (Rt. 352) there is always a lot of trash. Recently there was a mattress on the ground. They are going to see if Blosenski will clean this area because it is too dangerous for volunteers to do.

2. Malvern Institute – This is finally done. The Zoning Hearing Board approved a second story addition with significant landscaping.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

There being no further business, Erich moved to adjourn the meeting. Leo seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday February 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary