AGENDA EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING April 14, 2021 - 7:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE

- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES March 10, 2021
- 3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day
- b. Spring Planting
- c. Clymer's Woods Maintenance
- d. Tree City USA
- 5. SUBDIVISION REVIEW None
- 6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Paoli Pike Trail Fall Tree Planting
- 7. VARIANCES/CONDITIONAL USES None
- 8. LIAISON REPORTS
- 9. CORRESPONDENCE
- 10. DATES OF IMPORTANCE

Date	Meeting/Event	Time		
Apr 14, 2021	Conservancy Board	07:00 pm		
Apr 15, 2021	Futurist Committee	07:00 pm		
Apr 17, 2021	Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day			
Apr 20, 2021	Board of Supervisors	07:00 pm		
Apr 26, 2021	Sustainability Advisory Committee	07:00 pm		
May 1, 2021	Township Yard Sale	09:00 am		
May 3, 2021	Business Park Task Force	07:00 pm		
May 4, 2021	Board of Supervisors	07:00 pm		
May 5, 2021	Planning Commission	07:00 pm		
May 6, 2021	Park & Rec Commission	07:00 pm		
May 10, 2021	Municipal Authority	07:00 pm		
May 11, 2021	Board of Supervisors	07:00 pm		
May 12, 2021	Conservancy Board	07:00 pm		
May 13, 2021	Pipeline Task Force	06:30 pm		
May 13, 2021	Historical Commission	07:00 pm		
May 18, 2021	Election Day	(2421-2221-224)		
May 20, 2021	Futurist Committee	07:00 pm		

Date	Meeting/Event	Time
May 24, 2021	Sustainability Advisory Committee	07:00 pm
May 26, 2021	Zoning Hearing Board	07:00 pm
May 29, 2021	Carnival of Ruin	01:00 & 3:00 pm
May 31, 2021	Memorial Day – Office Closed	

- 11. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

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2	EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
3	CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
4	March 10, 2021
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6	The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board held a regularly scheduled meeting on
7	Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, the meeting
8	was held via Zoom conferencing. Members in attendance are indicated in BOLD :
9	Chairman, Walter Wujcik
10	Vice Chairman, Sandra Snyder
11	Erich Meyer
12	Scott Sanders
13	Dan Flynn
14	Leo Sinclair
15	Alice Lenthe
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17	Others present were:
18	Michele Truitt, Township Supervisor
19	Mark Gordon, Zoning Officer
20	Christina Morley
21	Eunice Alexander, Goshen Tree Tenders
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23	<u>Call to Order</u>
24	Walter called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
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26	Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence
27	Walter led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and then asked for a moment of silence
28	to remember our troops, first responders and healthcare personnel.
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30	<u>Minutes</u>
31	The minutes of the January 13, 2020 meeting were approved.
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33	<u>Chairman's Report</u>
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36	<u>New Business</u>
37	<u>1. Willistown Conservancy Trust – Lauren McGrath, Director of Watershed Protection</u>
38	Program and Chelsea Heck, Director of Annual Fund & Outreach were_present. They gave a
39	presentation about preservation of open space. They have branched out to attract people to
40	the resources in Chester County. They have Bird Conservation which shows the importance
41	of maintaining habitat for migrating birds. They have Watershed Protection which was
42	established in 2017. They have 10 sample sites within the Trust's program area. Monthly
43	they sample the Ridley Creek water. They showed a map with 3 sampling sites on Ridley
44	Creek in East Goshen. Ashbridge is the heart of their program where they do the most
45	sampling. At the Ashbridge preserve they have planted 690 trees and have 200 more to do
46	in May. Steward Thursday is when they meet with volunteers. Lauren reported that the
47	Ridley Creek is about the same. There have been some noticeable changes with the major
48	storms we've had. In Ashbridge they've seen sand bars pop up and disappear. Testing
49 50	should tell where most of the sediment is coming from. They want to put the data to good
50	use. Maybe get grants for rain gardens. Monitoring is funded by the William Penn

51 Foundation.

- 1 Walter mentioned that getting grants for a team of several groups seems to work better
- 2 than for an individual group.
- 3 Mark commented that samples are taken at the Blacksmith Shop environmental preserve.
- 4 Michele asked if they report their data to the Water Resources Authority in Chester County.
- 5 Lauren answered that they put the information on the public database.
- 6 Alice asked if PA is doing any sampling. Lauren answered yes, the USGS has a site on Crum
- 7 Creek and in Ridley Creek State Park. They do quarterly samples.
- 8 Chelsea mentioned that this Spring they are doing an education outreach at Ashbridge.
- 9 They are hoping to do walking tours for small groups.
- 10 Mark discussed the neighborhoods around Ashbridge. Bow Tree has 3 ponds which are
- 11 scheduled for renovation. Educating the public would be helpful.
- 12 Erich manages 200 acres across from the Conservancy. There are lots of birds, geese and
- 13 deer. Chelsea mentioned that May 1st is their bird banding.
- 14 Christina asked what the timeframe is of their report. Lauren answered that they started in
- January 2018 but in March 2020 they had to pause because of COVID. In January 2021 they started again and are hoping to have 3 full years by the end of 2021.
- 17 Chelsea mentioned that there are future opportunities; i.e. tree planting, etc. The
- conservancy can do education for the public. They are trying to connect with the EastGoshen community.
- 20 Walter and Eunice spoke about other sampling/monitoring that has been done in the area.
- 21 Mark enjoyed the slides. Maybe it could be tailored more to Ashbridge and put on Facebook
- 22 and the Township website. Also, Jason Lang may be interested in this for a summer camp
- 23 field trip. He mentioned the corporate parks that Chester Creek goes through. He is doing a
- survey of the owners and wants to ask if they worked with conservation groups. Chelsea
- 25 mentioned that they have stewardship training through virtual trail workshops if they are
- 26 interested.
- 27 Christina mentioned pollinator gardens. Chelsea commented that they have a meadow at
- their office at Providence Rd. They have talks about pollinators. Michele that there is one in
 East Goshen Park. Jason Lang is in charge.
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- 1. <u>Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day –</u> This will be held on Saturday April 17, 2021 with
 raindate on April 18th. Walter will send out emails and check with Jason for his contacts.
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- <u>2.</u> Clymers Woods This past Saturday they did a site walk. They will walk again in May or
 June to see which trees did not bloom and to do mulching. In the Fall they will plant
- 38 replacements if needed. Scott will give suggestions for tree plantings. Mark feels that the
- 39 new Paoli Pike Trail and Applebrook Park may be good places for plantings and benches
- 40 under the trees. Walter commented that when they trim the grass, they are hitting the trees
- 40 under the trees. Water commented that when they trim the grass, they are mitting the tree 41 and marking the bark. Scott commented that mulch should put around the tree but not up
- 42 to the tree. It will still hold moisture and prevent weeds. Covers were mentioned. Erich
- 43 mentioned that there are fabric covers. Don't use plastic because it will eventually cause
- 44 mold and disease. Mark commented do we even need to mow in Clymers Woods. He
- 45 suggested letting the grass grow around the trees as a pilot and see what it looks like, only
- 46 mow the outer ring. Sandy mentioned that originally the BOS wanted a manicured,
- 47 welcoming area so they insisted it be mowed. Mark will speak to Mark Miller about this.
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1 Liaison Reports

- 2 <u>1. Municipal Authority</u> Walter reported that the plant is running well. They are trying to
- 3 set up a meeting with West Goshen about the costs for the improvements at the Westtown4 Way Pump Station.
- 4 Way Pump 5
- 6 <u>2. Board of Supervisors Michele mentioned that they put their search for a Finance</u>
- 7 Director on the fast track and have interviewed some candidates. The search for a
- 8 Township Manager is ongoing. Applications will be accepted through next week. 9

10 <u>Correspondence</u>

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13 Any Other Matter

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16 Public Comment

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19 <u>Adjournment</u>

- 20 There being no further business, Scott moved to adjourn the meeting. Sandy seconded the
- 21 motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next meeting will be held on
- 22 Wednesday April 14, 2021 at 7:00 pm.
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- 25 Respectfully submitted,
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- 29 Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

<u>Memorandum</u>

East Goshen Township 1580 Paoli Pike West Chester, PA 19380 Voice: 610-692-7171 Fax: 610-692-8950 E-mail: mgordon@eastgoshen.org

Date: 4/8/2021 To: Conservancy From: Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer Re: 2021 Fall Tree Planting along PPT Segments F&G (Applebrook Park)

Conservancy Board Members,

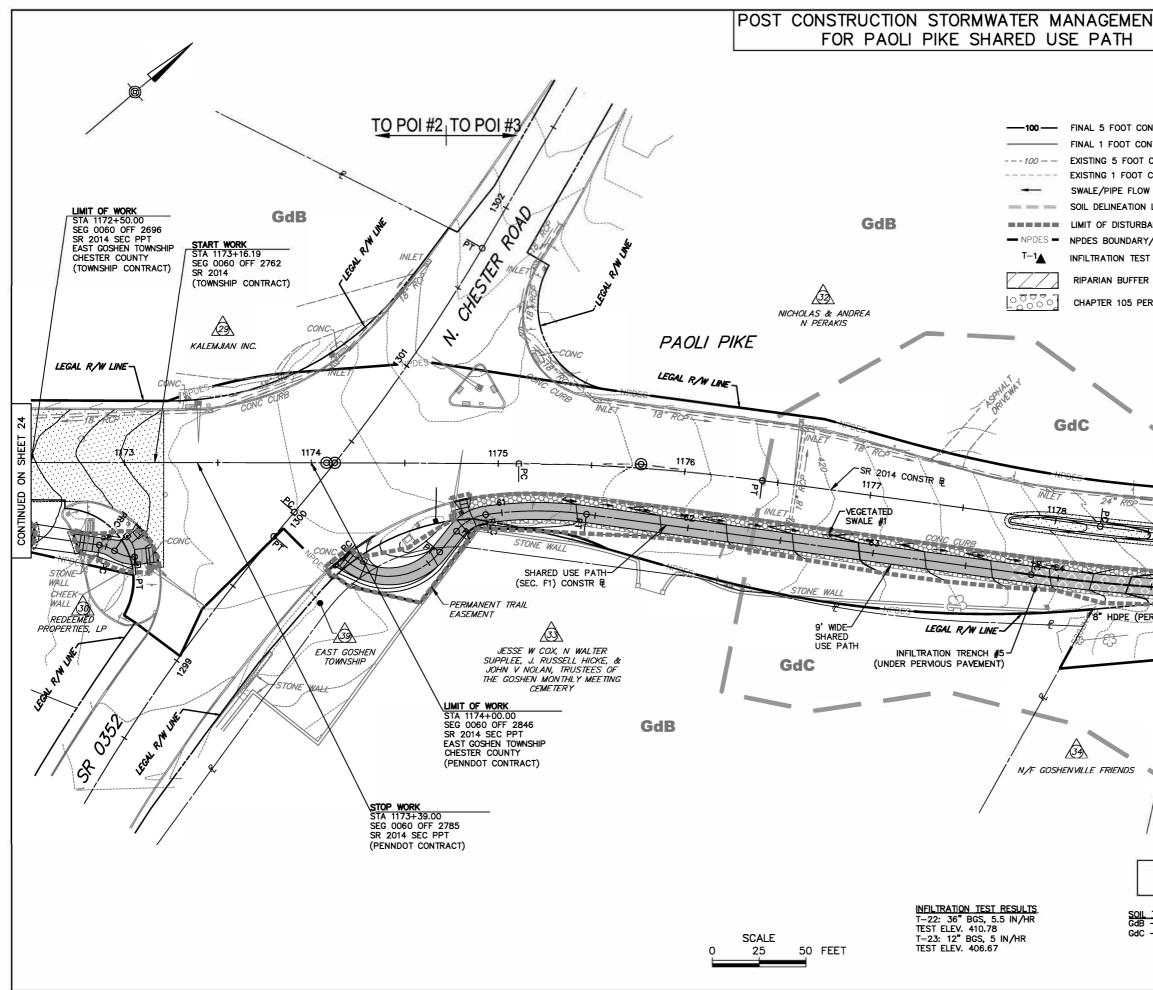
As we discussed in March, I have provided plans showing Segments F&G of the new Paoli Pike Trail within the Applebrook Park.

Mark Miller recommends that the CB focus tree planting efforts along the Paoli Pike Trail between Hibbard Lane and the bridge over Ridley Creek. Mark also suggests that you plant Maples; specifically Crimson Kings and Sugar Maples.

Mark has offered to have an auger and machine to dig the holes for the trees when you are ready to plant. Mark also mentioned that finding tress right now is nearly impossible and most nurseries will not be digging more trees until the fall. I suggest you get this plan together and order the trees so you can be sure to have material to plant in the fall.

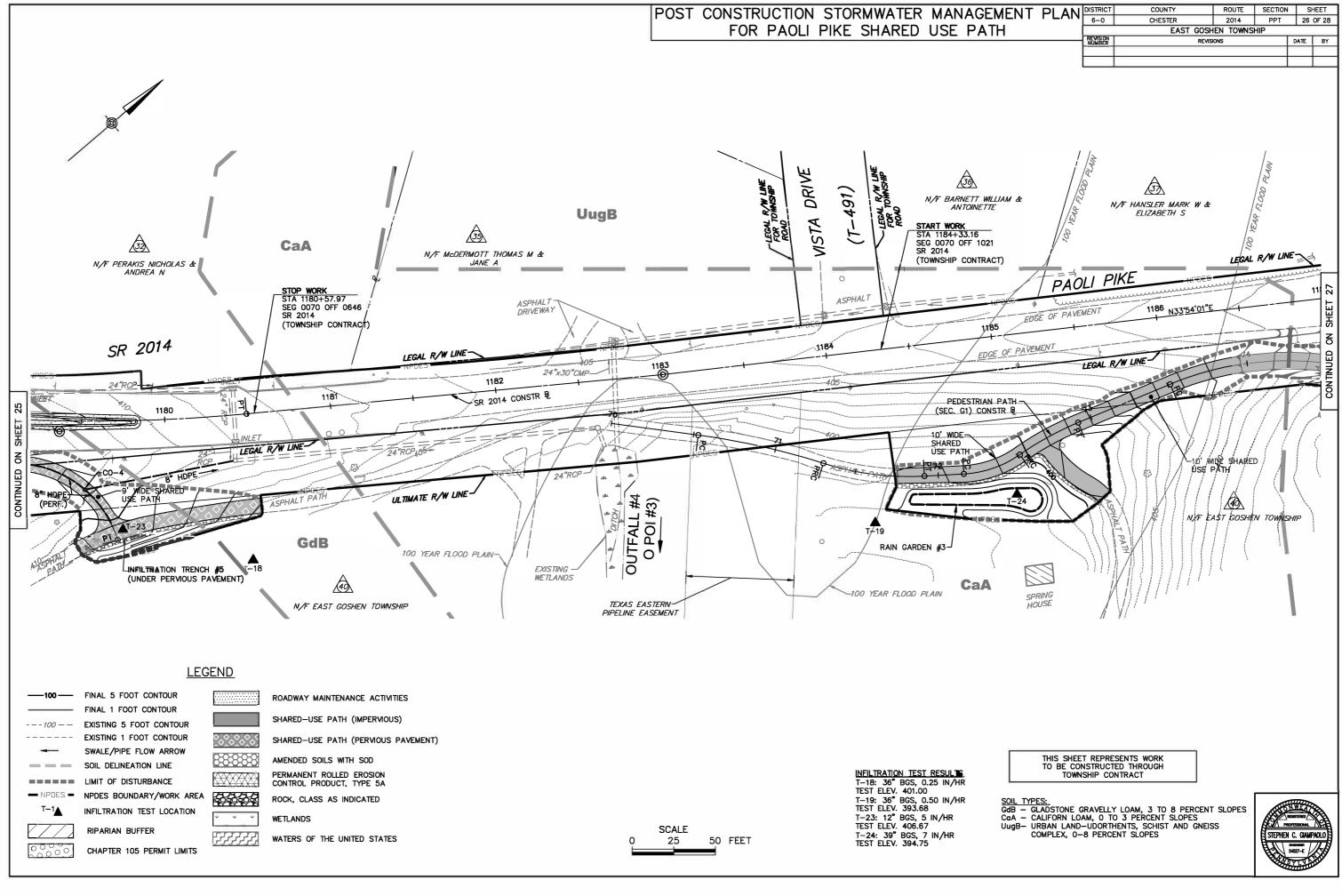
I suggest the CB discuss and identify the number of trees, size, species, and locations so that we can present a clear plan to the Park and Rec Board for their support and approval.

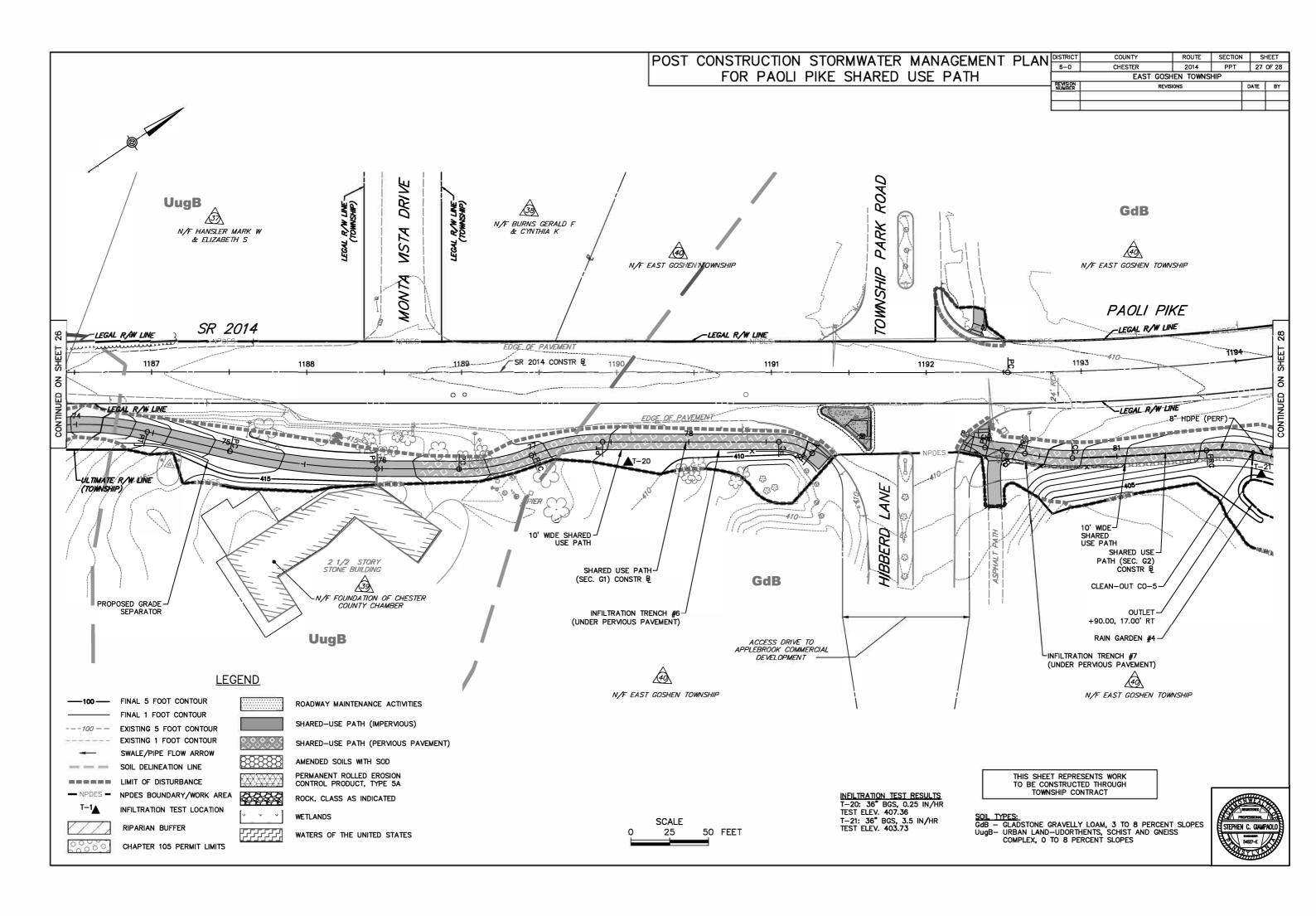
The Conservancy Board budget identifies \$3000 for landscaping in 2021. Once you know the cost of the proposed spring planting materials, you'll know how much you have to spend for the trees in the fall, and if you need to request additional funding from the Board of Supervisors.

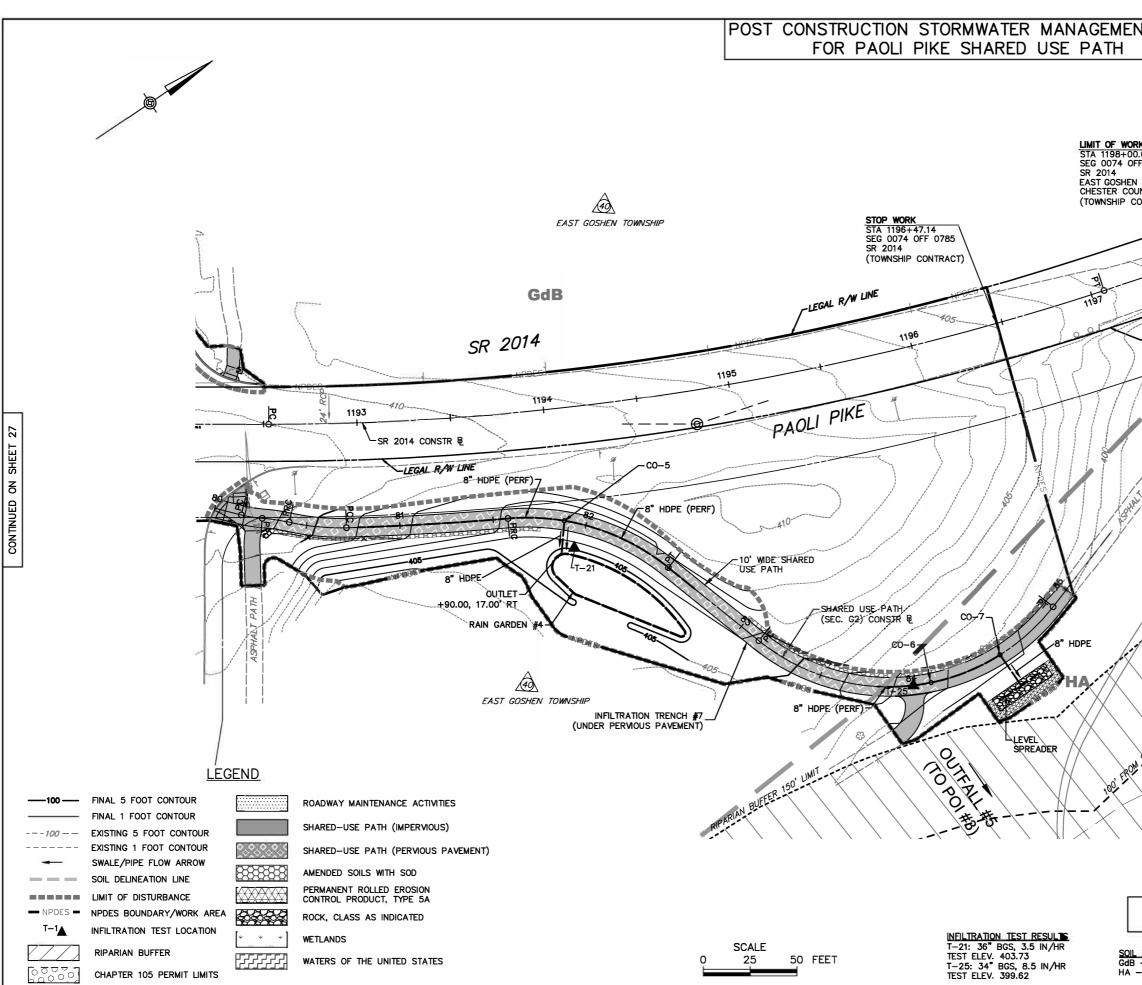


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Account Title	Acct #	Annual Budget	M-T-D	Current Budget	Variance	¥-T-D	Y-T-D Budget	Variance
CONSERVANCY BOARD								
WAGES - CONSERVANCY	01461 1400	736		110	110	107.10	294	187
MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	01461 2480	250		19	19		82	82
GENERAL EXPENSE	01461 2482	400		30	30		131	131
BLACKSMITH SUPPLIES	01461 2485							
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	01461 3100	500		50	50		150	150
LANDSCAPING	01461 3720	3,000		750	750		1,050	1,050
SUBTOTAL		4,886		959	959	107.10	1,707	1,600

Report Date 2104 04/09/21 11 : 13 AM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY 1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

April 1, 2021

Dear Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Township has received a Zoning Hearing Board Application from CTDI, owner of 1365 Enterprise Drive. CTDI is requesting zoning variances for two proposed wall signs for their property at 1365 Enterprise Drive, West Chester, 19380.

CTDI is seeking relief from §240-22 Q.(5) of the Zoning Ordinance, specifically, relief is being requested for:

- (1) the maximum number of signs permitted on a building
 - a. The applicant is seeking relief to install 2 wall signs (the ordinance permits one wall sign per
 - building)
- (2) the maximum area of wall signs
 - a. The applicant is seeking a variance to install wall signs that are approximately 166.8 square feet each, in area. (the zoning ordinance permits a maximum sign area of 100 square feet)

Additionally the applicant is requesting the Zoning Hearing Board grant such other relief as may be necessary in the judgement of the Board to allow each of the proposed wall signs.

All property owners within 1000 feet of the property seeking zoning relief are notified of the meeting dates when the application will be discussed. <u>The scheduled public meetings for review and potential approval of this application are as follows, AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL WRITTEN NOTICE:</u>

April 7, 2021 - Planning Commission meeting (7:00 pm, virtually via ZOOM)

April 20, 2021 - Board of Supervisors meeting (7:00 pm, virtually via ZOOM)

Zoning Hearing Board (Zoning Variance Hearing) – DATE TO BE DETERMINED

Due to COVID 19 protocols all meetings and hearings will be held virtually. The ZOOM meeting information is available on the Township website, <u>www.eastgoshen.org</u>. <u>The application materials are</u> <u>available for review during normal business hours</u>. Call the Township if you have questions on how to observe or participate in the meetings and or hearing.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Gordon

Mark A. Gordon Township Zoning Officer

