

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
TUESDAY, April 20, 2021  
FINAL MINUTES**

***Note:** In light of the Coronavirus pandemic, this was a virtual video-conference meeting conducted via the Zoom platform. In response to media reports about the vulnerability of the Zoom platform, public participation was limited to telephone.*

**Present:** Chairman David Shuey; Vice-Chairman Mike Lynch; Members: John Hertzog, Marty Shane and Michele Truitt; Township Manager Rick Smith; Zoning Officer Mark Gordon; Finance Director Dave Ware; Senior Staff Accountant Chris Boylan; Futurist Committee Members: Brandon Groff, Tom Kilburn, Jeff O'Donnell, Brian Sweet; Pipeline Task Force Member Christina Morley

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

David called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Marty led the Pledge of Allegiance. Michele called for a moment of silence to recognize first responders, fire fighters, and front-line workers.

David announced that the meeting is being recorded and livestreamed on YouTube.

**Chairman's Report**

David introduced Dave Ware as the new Finance Director/Treasurer for the Township.

David announced:

- a. That the Board met in executive session prior to tonight's meeting to discuss a personnel matter concerning an ABC member, and with the Township solicitor to discuss a legal matter concerning the Paoli Pike Trail easements.
- b. The Public Utility Commission's Administrative Law Judge, Judge Barnes, has issued her preliminary decision in Meghan Flynn et al v. Sunoco Pipeline LP. Mike acknowledged the Safety Seven and all their efforts for the citizens of East Goshen Township. A resolution to recognize them will be presented at the next meeting.
- c. The Recycling Toter Pilot Program organized by the Sustainability Advisory Committee and Township staff will begin April 21. To encourage recycling, ninety-eight (98) wheeled toters will be provided to residents on a first-come, first-serve basis.

**Westtown East Goshen Police Report**

Chief Brenda Bernot reported that from March 11 through April 10 there were 520 calls for service in East Goshen. This is a 36.4% increase as compared to this time in 2020 but is slightly below pre-pandemic levels.

Chief Bernot encourages all to visit the WEGO Crimewatch blotter. She highlighted two trends that have been occurring in East Goshen Township over the last month: 1) scams and 2) domestic disturbances.

### **Fire Company Reports**

Carmen reported the following fire company statistics for East Goshen:

- There were 3 elevator calls at Wellington within the past 3 weeks.
- In March, Goshen Fire Company responded to 20 fire calls, 11 fire police calls and 167 EMS calls.
- In the first quarter of 2021, Malvern Fire Company responded to 72 calls – 12 BLS (Basic) and 60 ALS (Advanced Life Support). Carmen noted that this total still shows a discrepancy of one call.
- In March, Good Fellowship responded to 46 calls.

Mike questioned if lift assist calls could be handled with the internal operations of the senior living facility. Carmen noted that lift assists do not always originate in the senior living centers. Michele asked if Medicare could be charged for an individual needing assistance at a facility. Carmen will find out more information about this.

For comparison reasons, Mike requested previous year fire company statistics. Carmen will ask Good Fellowship, Malvern Fire Company and Goshen Fire for this data.

Carmen announced there will be a limited Mother's Day flower sale. Michele asked if the 15-week club fund-raiser could be conducted during the summer. Carmen will investigate.

### **Financial Report**

Chris Boylan reported a positive variance of \$1,400,000 and stated that expenses are lower than budgeted. She continued that revenues are stronger than anticipated due to the sale of commercial properties, permit income and real estate transfers. Additionally, the Township received the State Liquid Fuels revenues at 3% more than budgeted which was invested in a special PLGIT TERM, earning 0.12%, and maturing on December 23, 2021. Chris Boylan added that the utility AR is at an almost all-time low.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Michele made a motion to approve the minutes of April 6, 2021. John seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

### **Approval of Treasurer's Reports**

Michele noted that she would like to see more detailed service information on the invoices from B&D Computer Solutions.

Michele asked if the Township received any charge back from the SPCA to which Rick replied that there was not. Mark Gordon explained that the Township cannot recoup fees for the bite complaint listed on the invoice. Michele and Mike asked to have the Township ordinance revised so the Township could be reimbursed.

Michele made a motion to accept the receipts and approve the expenditures as presented in the Expenditure Register and as summarized in the April 15, 2021, Treasurer's Report. Mike seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

### **Old Business**

#### **Consider Futurist Committee Survey**

The Board agreed that the Survey has a good quality interface and includes good base data.

Russ Frank, 451 Gateswood Drive, questioned why the survey includes querying the race/ethnicity of the resident. Brandon explained that this question will ensure that the Township receives data that reflects the diversity of the Township base as would be reported by the Census. Jeff echoed Brandon's explanation and added that the intent of the survey and of the Futurist Committee is for residents to be able to tell the Township what they want in East Goshen.

Christina Morley indicated that the second option on Questions 6 & 7 should read: "I work in a physical location in East Goshen other than my home." Brandon noted the change to the survey.

David said that the survey does not address pipeline safety. Tom explained that the intent is to keep this survey general and short. The pipeline safety issue could be addressed in a follow-up survey jointly compiled by the Futurist Committee and the Pipeline Task Force.

Marty made a motion to approve the Futurist Committee Survey for distribution with the changes noted by Christina Morley. Mike seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

### **New Business**

#### **Consider CTDI Sign Variance Application for 1365 Enterprise Drive.**

Brian Nagle, Esquire, MacElree Harvey, Ltd and Keith Montone, CTDI, were present to discuss the application for a Zoning Variance request for the signage on the property at 1365 Enterprise Drive. CTDI is seeking relief from §240-22 Q.(5) of the Zoning Ordinance, specifically, relief is being requested for: the maximum number of signs permitted on a building and the maximum number of wall signs.

Marty motioned to support the variance requests from CTDI at 1365 Enterprise Drive, from §240-22.Q(5) as outlined in their application, with conditions. The property is located in the Business Park District of the Township and the proposed relief will not pose significant impact to the character of Business Park nor pose significant impacts on the adjacent residential neighborhoods:

1. Permit a maximum of two (2) wall signs for the subject building.
2. Permit the wall signs to have a maximum area of 166.8 square feet of each sign.
3. The applicant will agree to provide a dimming function so that the signage lighting can be adjusted to the satisfaction of the Township.
4. The applicant agrees to turn off the wall sign lighting no later than 10 pm.
5. The signage shall be installed as depicted in the application.

Michele seconded. The motion passed 4-0, with Mike abstaining on the ground that he believes that the Board should take no position on Zoning Hearing Board matters.

### **Consider Roadside Litter Collection**

Marty made a motion that the 2021 Budget be amended by increasing the Admin, General Expense Line Item 0401.3000 from \$12,156 to \$23,815 with funds coming from the unallocated Fund Balance to provide for Roadside Litter Collection in 2021 via contract with AJ Blosenski. The Township Public Works Director will schedule this service. Mike seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

### **Consider amendment to Peddling and Soliciting Ordinance**

Marty, made a motion to schedule a public hearing to amend the Peddling and Soliciting Ordinance Chapter 169, Sections § 169-2 Application and § 169-3 Rules of Conduct and amend the Township Fee Schedule Resolution 2021-134. Mike seconded.

Russ Frank stated that solicitors have come to his house without the Township issued ID and license and asked how this should be properly handled. Rick explained that residents should not confront solicitors but instead politely say “no thank you” and then contact the police.

The motion passed 5-0.

### **Consider request from Village Square Shopping Center**

Edward McFalls, Hershey Mill Commercial Holdings, LLC was present to request that the Board consider allowing the Village Square Shopping Center to repave the lot without restoring the islands that were removed during the Sunoco construction.

David tabled this request until the next meeting.

There was discussion about having Sunoco restore the berm along Boot Road / Village Square Shopping Center to its previous state. The Board will support this effort.

### **Consider authorizing the Chair to execute Stormwater Management Agreements**

Michele made a motion that the Board authorize the Chairman to sign the storm water management, operation and maintenance agreements for:

1. 1502 Meadowbrook Lane
2. 426 Barker Drive

Mike seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

### **Acknowledge status report for Marydell Pond Landscaping**

Rick explained that the Marydell Pond tree planting will be postponed until the fall of 2021 due to nurseries not having the supplies of the required tree species. Mark Miller will be contacting Pennoni for alternate tree species.

Michele added that the \$11,000 budgeted for this planting may no longer cover the costs. She explained that the Conservancy Board is allocating some of their budget from their fall planting to the Marydell Pond planting. David recommended that the Conservancy Board contact Philip Watson.

The Board acknowledged this status.

**Consider recognition of Rick Smith's retirement**

Mike made a motion to approve Rick's recognition in the amount of \$5464 as a maximum amount due to the potential of private contributions. John seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

**Any Other Matter**

There was discussion about problems with PennDOT's road maintenance and paving on Boot Road.

**Public Comment**

None

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Michele made a motion to adjourn at 9:15 pm. Marty seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Susan D'Amore*

Attached: April 15, 2021 Treasurer's Report

TREASURER'S REPORT		March 31, 2021 - April 15, 2021	
RECEIPTS AND BILLS			
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>			
Real Estate Tax	\$79,135.33	Accounts Payable	\$135,259.63
Earned Income Tax	\$79,050.07	<u>Electronic Pmts:</u>	
Local Service Tax	\$12,746.62	Credit Card	\$0.00
Transfer Tax	\$23,226.00	Postage	\$0.00
<i>General Fund Interest Earned</i>	\$201.79	Debt Service	\$0.00
Total Other Revenue	\$154,549.97	Payroll	\$256,798.04
<b>Total General Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$348,909.78</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$392,057.67</b>
<b>STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.09		
<b>Total State Liquid Fuels Receipts:</b>	<b>\$0.09</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$66,988.44	Accounts Payable	\$249,388.44
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$146.72		
<b>Total Capital Reserve Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$67,135.16</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$249,388.44</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$69.80		
<b>Total Transportation Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$69.80</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>SEWER OPERATING FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$34,166.53	Accounts Payable	\$157,167.69
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$32.98	<u>Electronic Pmts:</u>	
		Credit Card	\$0.00
		Debt Service	\$0.00
<b>Total Sewer Operating Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$34,199.51</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$157,167.69</b>
<b>REFUSE FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$3,890.52	Accounts Payable	\$81,630.37
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$11.54	Credit Card	\$0.00
<b>Total Refuse Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$3,902.06</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$81,630.37</b>
<b>BOND FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$7,122.15
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$51.24		
<b>Total Bond Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$51.24</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$7,122.15</b>
<b>SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$65.52		
<b>Total Sewer Capital Reserve Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$65.52</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>OPERATING RESERVE FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$81.24		
<b>Total Operating Reserve Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$81.24</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
			\$887,366.32
	\$454,414.40		\$256,798.04
			(\$630,568.28)

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