

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
TUESDAY, May 11, 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, and Michele Truitt; Township Manager Rick Smith; Interim Township Manager Derek Davis, Zoning Officer Mark Gordon; Finance Director Dave Ware

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

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

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

**Chairman's Report**

Mike announced:

- The Board met in executive session prior to tonight's meeting with the solicitor to discuss a judgement issued by the Court of Common Pleas.
- Ken Lorence has resigned from the Historical Commission.

**Westtown East Goshen Police Report**

Chief Brenda Bernot recapped that during the last 30 days there were 886 calls for services in all three Townships served by WEGO. This is up 38.4% from last year. She continued that in East Goshen there were 485 calls for service, an increase of 39.4% from last year. She noted that although 2021 has had an increase in the calls for service, the total is less than pre-pandemic levels. Stress levels are reflected in the types of calls the department has received.

David asked if the CODY system has been implemented to which Chief Bernot replied that it is scheduled the beginning of June.

**Fire Company Reports**

Carmen reported the following fire company statistics for East Goshen:

- In the past three weeks there were 3 elevator calls at Wellington.
- In April, Goshen Fire Company responded to 21 fire calls, 8 fire police calls and 170 EMS calls.
- In April, Malvern Fire Company responded to 24 calls – 3 BLS (Basic) and 21 ALS (Advanced Life Support).
- In April, Good Fellowship responded to 48 calls.
- A deck fire in Malvern was quickly attended to and reported by a neighbor and that was quickly attended.

Michele asked if there were any false alarms from Wellington to which Carmen replied that there was one, but the calls have dropped off significantly.

Carmen noted that since COVID restrictions are easing, firefighting practice and drilling has resumed back to pre-pandemic. He asked if the Board could attend one of the practice drills at the West Chester burn center.

Carmen announced that there will be a fair this summer and the 15-week club fundraiser may be held.

### **Financial Report**

Dave Ware reported that as of April 30 the general fund had a positive variance of \$1,009,592 with a balance of \$6,564,068. On the expense side Dave noted that the actual Police expenses are driving the favorable variance to budget in Emergency Services Expenses. The favorable variance in actual Administration expenses vs budget will be flat due to a \$55K payment to DVHT for insurance. Dave reported that overall revenues performed stronger than anticipated.

### **Approval of Minutes**

None.

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

Michele made a motion to accept the receipts and approve the expenditures as presented in the Expenditure Register and as summarized in the May 6, 2021, Treasurer's Report. John seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

#### **Consider recommendation on ESKE Development variance request.**

John Jaros representing ESKE Development LLC explained that they are seeking relief from §240-19 G of Township code to reduce the 100-foot rear yard setback requirement to 96.5 feet (a deviation of 3.5 feet.). The surveyor misinterpreted the plans resulting in this 3.5-foot error in the placement of the building foundation. This error was discovered when the as-built drawings were being prepared to close out the project. This hearing will document this nonconformity.

David made a motion that the Board of Supervisors take no position on the ESKE Development, LLC dimensional variance application for their property at 1302 Wilson Dr. and have the application move to the Zoning Hearing Board. Michele seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

#### **Consider recommendation on 331 Springhouse Lane variance request**

The resident is seeking relief from §240-32.E Fences and Walls of Town code for the new 7.5-foot tall brick pillars that are being installed on their new 6 foot privacy fence.

Michele made a motion that the Board of Supervisors take no position on the dimensional variance application of Albert and Lynn Greto, for their property at 331 Springhouse Lane and

have the application move to the Zoning Hearing Board. John seconded. The motion passed 3-0. (Note: David was not present for this vote.)

**Consider Resolution 2021-29 updating the Code of Conduct for Township ABCs**

John made a motion to pass Resolution 2021-29 updating the code of conduct for the Township Authorities, Boards and Commissions. Michele seconded. The motion passed 3-0. (Note: David was not present for this vote.)

**Consider Resolution 2021-34A increasing the fee for a soliciting license.**

Rick noted that the fee for obtaining a solicitors' license has increased from \$32 to \$50 due to the process of making the IDs in house with IDVILLE. Michele made a motion to pass Resolution 2021-34 establishing and consolidating the various fees and charges imposed pursuant to the code of the Township. John seconded. The motion passed 3-0. (Note: David was not present for this vote.)

**Consider information about reopening the Township Building**

Jason explained that Governor Wolf announced that as of May 31, all COVID-19 related guidelines will be lifted except for face masking. Face masking will be lifted when 70% of PA residents 18+ are vaccinated. With regards to ABC meetings, the new guideline makes in-person, public meetings a viable option with general public attendance.

Mike made a motion that as the Township moves under the Governor's direction that the Board will allow each ABC to choose their own platform for meetings for June, July & August. In addition, the Board of Supervisors will continue to hold Zoom meetings for the 1<sup>st</sup> formal meeting of the month and the Long Range Planning Session. The Board will hold in-person meetings for the 2<sup>nd</sup> formal monthly meeting. John seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

**Acknowledge Park and Rec Update**

The Board acknowledges the summer programming updates from the Department of Parks and Recreation.

**Consider Stormwater Agreement for 1448 Patterson Lane.**

Michele made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the stormwater management, operation and maintenance agreement for 1448 Patterson Lane. Mike seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

**Any Other Matter**

**Consider State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) I Phase 1 Archeological Survey for Paoli Pike Trail Seg B Joint Permit Application.**

Mark Gordon explained that McMahon Associates advised that the joint permit submission must include a Phase 1 Archeological Survey. As part of the review process, the PA SHPO is requiring this additional study to be included with the final joint permit application to DEP. The cost proposal for the Phase 1 Archeological Survey is \$17,400.

Mike made a motion to accept the \$17,400 expense for the survey. David seconded. The motion was tied at 2-2 with Michele and John against. This will need to be on a future agenda for action to be taken.

The Board acknowledged that John has resigned from the Business Park Task Force and Michele has resigned as liaison from the Conservancy Board. David made a motion to appoint John as liaison to the Conservancy Board and Michele to the Business Park Task Force. Mike seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

**Public Comment**

None

**Correspondence, Reports of Interest**

The Board acknowledged the State Liquid Fuels 2019 Audit Report.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Michele made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 pm. David seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Susan D'Amore*

Attached: May 6, 2021 Treasurer's Report

TREASURER'S REPORT		April 29, 2021 - May 6, 2021	
RECEIPTS AND BILLS			
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>			
Real Estate Tax	\$9,379.68	Accounts Payable	\$392,508.99
Earned Income Tax	\$707,200.00	<u>Electronic Pmts:</u>	
Local Service Tax	\$1,200.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Transfer Tax	\$0.00	Postage	\$0.00
<i>General Fund Interest Earned</i>	\$240.91	Debt Service	\$0.00
Total Other Revenue	\$72,020.12	Payroll	\$71,400.00
<b>Total General Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$790,040.71</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$463,908.99</b>
<b>STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.08		
<b>Total State Liquid Fuels Receipts:</b>	<b>\$0.08</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$1,801.64	Accounts Payable	\$1,717.48
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$181.91		
<b>Total Capital Reserve Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$1,983.55</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$1,717.48</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$46.18		
<b>Total Transportation Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$46.18</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>SEWER OPERATING FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$122,658.16	Accounts Payable	\$426.98
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$46.52	<u>Electronic Pmts:</u>	
		Credit Card	\$0.00
		Debt Service	\$0.00
<b>Total Sewer Operating Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$122,704.68</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$426.98</b>
<b>REFUSE FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$33,468.11	Accounts Payable	\$57,841.36
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$22.83	Credit Card	\$0.00
<b>Total Refuse Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$33,490.94</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$57,841.36</b>
<b>BOND FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$74,600.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$50.26		
<b>Total Bond Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$50.26</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$74,600.00</b>
<b>SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>			
Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$0.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$79.89		
<b>Total Sewer Capital Reserve Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$79.89</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>	\$98.22		
<b>Total Operating Reserve Fund Receipts:</b>	<b>\$98.22</b>	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
			\$598,494.81
	\$948,494.51		\$71,400.00
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