

**EAST GOSHEN BUSINESS PARK TASK FORCE
MEETING MINUTES
May 3, 2021**

The East Goshen Township Business Park Task Force held their regular meeting on Monday May 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Due to restrictions caused by the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was held via electronic conferencing Zoom. Members in attendance are indicated in bold:

Jeff O'Donnell, Chairman
John Stipe, Vice Chairman
Ed Decker
John Hertzog
Mike Koza
Mike Lynch
Brian Sweet

Others in attendance:

Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer
Gordon Davis, Resident

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Jeff called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a moment of silence to remember our frontline health care workers.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 5, 2021 meeting were approved.

BP and I1 zoning

Possible consolidation of the two districts was discussed. Mark reviewed some of the uses in the two districts. Will there be a benefit to consolidating them? There are not many new business parks being built today. Things to consider are parking, electric charging stations, landscaping, size of the lot, etc. Jeff feels these are some things to be discussed during an interview. Brian brought up agriculture which is a use and asked if the taxes generated are the same as an industrial use. Mark commented that the big difference is the number of employees.

Jeff asked Mark to provide a chart showing the uses in the districts. John pointed out that there are different setbacks in the districts. Jeff commented that the goal is to get the real needs from the existing companies.

Interviews Update

Jeff reported that he and Mike Lynch interviewed with CTDI. It was very inciteful. It was a booming business through COVID. They are looking to get their employees back safely.

Mike Lynch reported that CTDI was a good interview. Keith Montone is also a member of the Chester County Economic Development Council so he has knowledge of what is happening in the County. Mike got a response from the Charter School. They returned the survey but don't seem to want an interview. He sent second requests to 3 other companies asking for the survey if they can't do an interview. Even those who say no at this time still know that East Goshen is thinking of them.

He sent a draft template for the report to Mark and Jeff. He feels the interviews should be done by the end of May. He thinks the completed surveys should be sent to Mark.

Mark commented that he has a survey from ACERO who purchased the Hicks property, next to ACERO, from Hankin. ACERO also signed the easements for the Paoli Pike Trail to go across his property. This is segment B. Mark assured everyone that this project can be extended if necessary. John commented that with CTDI and ACERO expanding this is very good news.

Jeff commented that surveys should be sent to Mark and they can review everything at the June meeting.

Public Comments

None

Liaison Reports

Board of Supervisors – Mike Lynch reported that they will make the official announcement of the new Township Manager at tomorrow’s meeting. They have selected Derek Davis, Asst. Mgr. at West Goshen.

Adjournment

There being no further business John Stipe moved to adjourn the meeting. Mike Lynch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm. The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary