

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
May 12, 2021**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, May 12, 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

Michael Lynch, Township Supervisor

Mark Gordon, Zoning Officer

Christina Morley, Pipeline Task Force

Eunice Alexander, Goshen Tree Tenders

Call to Order

Walter called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 April 14, 2021 meeting were approved.

Chairman's Report

1. Walter mentioned that there will be two items added under New Business.

Old Business

1. Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day – Walter reported that this event was very well attended. The weather was good and people wanted to get out. There were 25 groups that helped (among them 4 ABCs, 2 deer groups, Goshen Tree Tenders, etc.) Mark Miller told Walter that 64 bags of trash were collected along with signage, lumber, etc.

2. Clymer's Woods – Walter checked the area the other day and only saw 2 trees that looked bad. He suggested doing a site walk to determine what trees are needed and place an order early for the fall planting. It was decided to do a site walk on Saturday May 22 at 9 am in Clymer's Woods. Mark Gordon will ask Mark Miller to have some mulch dropped off there.

New Business

1. Summer Meetings - The BOS wants to know whether the ABCs want to continue meeting remotely using Zoom or meet in-person in June, July and August. Mark mentioned that starting June 1 there will no longer be a 6 ft. restriction. After discussion the Board decided to continue meeting remotely via Zoom for June and August and cancel the July meeting.

2. Tree City USA – Walter mentioned the email from Michele Truitt about this designation. Christie of the Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) has looked into it and it seems they require a separate Board for this and the deadline for applying is April 30. Eunice feels it could be a subcommittee under the Conservancy Board which she feels has adequate experience. Walter will contact Christie.

Liaison Reports

1. Municipal Authority - Walter reported that the plant is running well. They are working on the Hershey Mill Estate sewer replacement and the Westtown Way Pump station.

2. Board of Supervisors – Michele mentioned in her email that the Chester County Concert Band is giving a free concert in the park on July 11.

Mark mentioned that David Ware started as the new CFO. Derrick Davis, the West Goshen Township Assistant Manager, will start on 5/24 as the East Goshen Interim Township Manager. Rick Smith is retiring in June.

There were 100 large recycling totes given out to residents who will answer surveys to see if the BOS wants to go to the larger cans with lids for recycling.

Mark heard that the Futurist survey response has been good. You can access it on the Township website until May 31.

Mark mentioned that the Business Park Task Force is also using a survey with the CEO's of the businesses.

3. Pipeline Task Force – Christina mentioned that, as a result of her being the CB liaison, she has been in touch with Lauren of the Willistown Conservation Trust regarding their water sampling program. Lauren is coming to the Pipeline TF meeting tomorrow. The water sampling program may be extended to locations in East Goshen. They are sampling air quality too. We are at the headwater of Ridley Creek so water quality is important. Eunice recommended that Christina contact the CRC Watershed group too. Christina mentioned that she is very thankful for the liaison program.

Christina mentioned that the Willistown Conservation Trust is doing a tree planting in Ashbridge May 23-29.

The pipeline has pulled back at Bow Tree and starting to lay sod and continuing to make final connections.

Any Other Matter

None

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

There being no further business, Erich moved to adjourn the meeting. Sandy seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday June 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary