

**East Goshen Township**  
**Pipeline Task Force Meeting Agenda**  
Thursday, December 9, 2021  
East Goshen Township Building  
6:30 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence
3. Ask if anyone is recording the meeting.
4. Approval of Minutes  
November 18, 2021
5. Public Comment
6. Chairperson's Report
7. Reports
  - a. Legislative Update
8. Old Business
  - a. Adelphia Status
  - b. Sunoco Pipeline Maintenance Line Road
  - c. Williams Company Pipeline Plans and how affecting East Goshen
  - d. Update on Solicitor's review of PUC Ruling solicitor review
  - e. 352 Subsidence – baseline measurements
  - f. Begin discussion for 2022 Goals/2021 Accomplishments in preparation for the 1/25/22 Annual Meeting
9. New Business
10. Liaison Reports
11. Any Other Matter
12. Correspondence
13. Adjournment

**PIPELINE TASK FORCE**  
**THURSDAY, November 18, 2021**  
**East Goshen Township Building**  
**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Members Present:**

Chair Caroline Hughes, Vice Chair Bill Wegemann; Members: Jim Christenson, Jeannine DelVescovo, Judi DiFonzo, Christina Morley, Gerry Sexton

**Others Present**

Township Supervisors David Shuey and John Hertzog; Township Manager Derek Davis

**COMMON ACRONYMS:**

<i>ACOE</i>	<i>Army Core of Engineers</i>
<i>BI&amp;E</i>	<i>Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement</i>
<i>BOS</i>	<i>Board of Supervisors</i>
<i>CCATO</i>	<i>Chester County Association of Township Officials</i>
<i>CCPC</i>	<i>Chester County Planning Commission</i>
<i>DCNR</i>	<i>Department of Conservation and Natural Resources</i>
<i>DEP</i>	<i>Department of Environmental Protection</i>
<i>DES</i>	<i>Department of Emergency Services</i>
<i>EGT</i>	<i>East Goshen Township</i>
<i>EGSEA</i>	<i>East Goshen Safety and Environmental Advocates</i>
<i>ET</i>	<i>Energy Transfer Company</i>
<i>FEMA</i>	<i>Federal Emergency Management Agency</i>
<i>FOI</i>	<i>Freedom of Information</i>
<i>HDD</i>	<i>Horizontal Directional Drilling</i>
<i>IR</i>	<i>Inadvertent Return</i>
<i>ME1</i>	<i>Mariner East 1</i>
<i>ME2</i>	<i>Mariner East 2</i>
<i>PHMSA</i>	<i>Pipeline Hazard Materials and Safety Administration</i>
<i>PUC</i>	<i>Public Utility Commission</i>
<i>TF</i>	<i>Task Force</i>

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

Caroline called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Moment of Silence**

Caroline called for a moment of silence for Officer Josh Micun, who passed away from a COVID-related illness, and for his family.

**Recording**

Caroline announced that the meeting is being recorded.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from October 14, 2021, were unanimously approved as amended.

1 **Public Comment**

2 None

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4 **Chairperson’s Report**

5 Caroline reported:

- 6 1. The PUC met and directed Sunoco to take public safety actions. A few actions were
- 7 outlined:
- 8 - A comprehensive review of Sunoco’s public awareness program.
- 9 - A written plan to enhance Sunoco’s public awareness and emergency notification
- 10 plans.
- 11 - Scheduling by Sunoco of public awareness/education meetings to be held in the
- 12 School District.

13 Caroline stated that she is pleased that there is some accountability; however, she is

14 concerned about the vague nature of the penalties.

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16 Christina referenced the section that stated:

17 *“Sharing the results of any geophysical test reports, inspection and evaluation*

18 *reports assessing the condition of its pipelines located in East Goshen Township or*

19 *Middletown Township to Township Supervisors or their designee engineering*

20 *consultants at least on an annual basis and more frequently while construction is*

21 *ongoing, pursuant to any non-disclosure agreements Sunoco Pipeline, L.P. deems*

22 *necessary to protect its confidential security information.”*

23 She stated that these reports were never deemed as confidential security information

24 (CSI). She questioned whether the Township should have the solicitor review. It was

25 agreed that the solicitor can advocate for the Township and its residents.

26 Landowners should be able to get the geophysical testing reports.

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28 Caroline made a motion to amend agenda to discuss the latest PUC ruling and

29 consider seeking solicitor review. Bill seconded the motion. The motion passed

30 unanimously.

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32 Caroline made a motion to request that the Board of Supervisors consult with the

33 Township solicitor to review the PUC ruling and verify that there is a legal basis for

34 Sunoco to claim CSI for the geophysical testing information and for the reports to be

35 made public. Christina seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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37 2. Middletown Township appealed the ruling on the releasing of pipeline records based
- 38 on last month’s ruling from a Delaware County Judge. Caroline stated that East
- 39 Goshen should pay attention to surrounding Townships and learn from Middletown’s
- 40 mistakes.

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42 3. DEP issued two (2) notice of violations (NOVs) to ET for ignoring the order to
- 43 conduct a geological investigation and provide a report on the sink holes near the
- 44 Chester County library.

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46 **Legislative Updates**

47 None.

1 **Old Business**

2 **Subsidence update**

3 Derek provided the latest measurements of the subsidence on Route 352 that were  
4 recorded from July 2021 until present. The measurements indicated that the size of the  
5 subsidence has not changed.

6 Bill asked if there was a baseline measurement from when the subsidence was first  
7 reported. Derek will get the previous measurements.

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9 Christina informed the group that several residents have asked her about the black soil  
10 on the Matlack Florist property on Route 352.

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12 **Adelphia Update**

13 Caroline stated that Eve Miari from Clean Air Council may be able to come to the next  
14 meeting to discuss the plans for the Adelphia pipeline.

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16 Derek stated that he has a contact for Adelphia. Prior to contacting them for information,  
17 he would like to gather a list of questions.

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19 Questions discussed by the TF in reference to the Adelphia tower on Paoli Pike:

- 20 - What is Adelphia's utilization plan?  
21 - Is any product currently running through the Adelphia pipeline?  
22 - How often will a blowdown occur?  
23 - What is the anticipate noise level from a blowdown (decibels)?  
24 - How much material will be released in the atmosphere during a blowdown?  
25 - What is their public notification plan?

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27 David added that the Township should asked Adelphia to install infrared gas monitoring  
28 alarms at the line of site to detect gases and will notify Chester County.

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30 Bill asked how the Township could notify residents. David and Derek responded LED  
31 sign, Website, Constant Contact and Nextdoor. David suggested using the Police Blotter –  
32 Crimewatch. EMS would also need to be notified.

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34 Christina suggested that Derek ask Adelphia to send a representative to a public meeting  
35 for a Q&A with residents.

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37 **Williams Pipelines**

38 Derek said that he has not been in contact with a representative from Williams. It was  
39 discussed that it would be beneficial to find out their plan and if the pipeline will affect  
40 East Goshen Township.

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42 **Action Items from the October 14<sup>th</sup> meeting:**

- 43 - David reported that he contacted Commissioner Marion Moskowitz about East  
44 Goshen providing comments to the County's Pipeline Hazard Vulnerability  
45 assessment. She was alarmed and requested a copy of the Township letter.  
46 Commissioner Moskowitz explained that the County is having difficulty finding

- 1 people to response to the RFP that was advertised for the development of an addition  
2 to their operations plan for NGL pipeline hazards.
- 3 - David stated that the Commissioner is aware that the all-hazards approach does not  
4 work for NGL pipelines. She agreed to have Ernie Harkness participate since he has  
5 experience with nuclear hazard mitigation.
  - 6 - Derek will look into a contact that he has with the company: Integrated Disaster  
7 Solutions.

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9 **New Business**

10 **ET Update regarding Line Road Maintenance**

11 Caroline explained that it is important for the Township to know ET's plan and what is  
12 involved with the cathodic protection repair. ET has started clearing the brush and plans  
13 to start the work on 12/13/21.

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15 Gerry provided research and questions regarding this maintenance that were reviewed.  
16 He asked if these questions could be sent to Sunoco. There was discussion about sending  
17 these questions to the PUC, DEP and the County Commissioners. The TF agreed that  
18 Gerry will send his list to the TF for edits and then forward to Derek. Derek will send an  
19 email to Sunoco before the Thanksgiving Holiday. Once the response is received, Derek  
20 will send 1) a letter to the BOS with the answers and 2) send a response back to Sunoco.  
21 It will be discussed again at the next meeting.

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23 **Begin discussion for 2022 Goals/2021 Accomplishments in preparation for the**  
24 **1/25/22 Annual Meeting**

25 The group discussed some of the accomplishments of the TF over 2021. It was agreed  
26 that the group will review the minutes from 2021 and summarize. This will be discussed  
27 at the next meeting.

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29 **Liaison Reports**

30 Jim reported that the Futurist Committee is compiling another survey to send to  
31 residents.

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33 **Any Other Matter**

34 Caroline and Christine announced that they will not be seeking reappointment for the  
35 next term serving on the Pipeline TF. The TF will then have two (2) openings as of 2022.

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37 **Adjournment**

38 The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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40 **Next Meeting**

41 The next meeting is on Thursday, December 9, 2021, @ 6:30 pm.

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43 Respectfully submitted,

44 *Susan D'Amore*

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