

East Goshen Township
Pipeline Task Force Meeting Agenda
Thursday, January 13, 2022
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
December 9, 2021
5. Public Comment
6. Chairperson's Report
7. Reports
 - a. Legislative Update
8. New Business
 - a. Election of Pipeline Task Force Officers for 2022
9. Old Business
 - a. Finalize 2022 Goals/2021 Accomplishments in preparation for the 1/25/22 Annual Meeting @ 6:30 pm
 - b. Updates:
 1. Solicitor's review of PUC Ruling
 2. Sunoco Pipeline Maintenance Line Road
 3. Adelphia Status
 4. 352 Subsidence
10. Liaison Reports
11. Any Other Matter
12. Correspondence
13. Adjournment

**PIPELINE TASK FORCE
THURSDAY, December 9, 2021
East Goshen Township Building
DRAFT MINUTES**

Members Present:

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

Others Present

Township Supervisors David Shuey; Township Manager Derek Davis

COMMON ACRONYMS:

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| <i>ACOE</i> | <i>Army Core of Engineers</i> |
| <i>BI&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 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Caroline called for a moment of silence for those serving and for our first responders, especially those that responded to the recent incident at East High School.

Recording

The meeting was not being recorded.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from November 18, 2021, were unanimously approved as amended.

1 **Public Comment**

2 None

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4 **Chairperson's Report**

5 Caroline reported on the recent Marsh Creek Settlement. The TF discussed the
6 settlement and fines. Sunoco will not be modifying the placement of the pipeline and is
7 able to resume construction. Caroline stated that there is a 45-day open comment
8 period starting on December 11, 2021.

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10 **Legislative Updates**

11 None.

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13 **Old Business**

14 **Adelphia Status**

15 Derek reported that he spoke to a representative at Adelphia and emailed the TF prior to
16 the meeting. The key points were discussed:

- 17 • The East Goshen location is not used for planned maintenance. It is too far south.
- 18 • The valve will be checked every six months (2 times a year) as required by law. It will
19 not be vented.
- 20 • If venting is necessary, Adelphia will inform local 911, the Township and
21 surrounding residents. A muffler would also be installed when venting to suppress
22 the noise.
- 23 • There is no product running through the pipeline. It is planned to start running
24 natural gas in Quarter 1 of 2022.

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26 **Sunoco Pipeline Maintenance – Line Road**

27 Derek contacted Sunoco and provided the TF with the answers to their submitted
28 questions. The TF reviewed the list and discussed the following:

- 29 • Sunoco needs to clarify what is meant by “refined product”.
- 30 • How far away and at what depth is Sunoco placing the anode from the pipeline.
- 31 • Has the soil type been considered?

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33 Caroline asked if the Township would drive by to monitor the work when it is being
34 done. Derek replied that code enforcement and public works would monitor. However,
35 unless Sunoco is in violation of the permit, there is nothing the Township can site.
36 Derek mentioned that he will keep an eye on this area as the spring arises to ensure the
37 ground is reestablished.

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39 **Update on Solicitor's review of PUC Ruling**

40 Derek informed the group that based on the motion from the 11/18 meeting, Guy
41 Donatelli was contacted to review the PUC ruling and verify that there is a legal basis for
42 Sunoco to claim confidential security information (CSI) for the geophysical testing
43 information and for the reports to be made public.

1 **William Company Pipeline**

2 Derek reported that he needs to obtain a contact in the engineering or policy
3 departments at the Williams Pipeline Company. Williams is not planning on expansion
4 work within East Goshen Township.

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6 **Subsidence update**

7 There was discussion that the pipeline maps indicate that the pipeline exists on the
8 other side of the road than what was represented to Ira last year. Bill reported that he
9 emailed Dr. Ira for insight; however, without hiring him, no information was provided.

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11 **2021 Accomplishments**

12 Prior to the meeting, Gerry provided a list of accomplishments based on the minutes
13 from the year. The TF agreed to the list with the addition of:

- 14 • Jointly sent letter (8/27/21) to PUC sharing concerns with the CC Commissioners
15 and requested immediate shut down of the Pipeline.

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17 **2022 Goals**

18 The TF agreed to the following Goals:

- 19 1. Explore Development of EGT Specific hazard mitigation plan
- 20 2. Communication of Evacuation and Notification Plan
- 21 3. Continue monitoring all 11 active pipeline activities in EGT
- 22 4. Coordinate meetings with EGT EMC to review EMC's role in outline NGL Pipeline
23 Safety. Possibly develop a special emergency evacuation plan.
- 24 5. Contribute to the East Goshen Township Newsletter Quarterly
- 25 6. Provide ongoing presence at the Chester County Monthly Sunshine meetings
- 26 7. Revisit noise and public nuisance ordinances.

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28 **New Business**

29 None

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31 **Liaison Reports**

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34 **Any Other Matter**

35 Bill thanked Caroline and Christina for their dedicated service to the Pipeline TF. They
36 will be missed. The TF will have two (2) openings as of 2022.

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38 **Adjournment**

39 The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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41 **Next Meeting**

42 The next meeting is on Thursday, January 13, 2022, @ 6:30 pm.

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44 Respectfully submitted,

45 *Susan D'Amore*

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**East Goshen Township Pipeline Task Force
2021 Accomplishments**

1. Redefined Pipeline Task Force Purpose and Mission Statement.
2. Achieved full staffing of Task Force with seven members.
3. Established liaisons with other East Goshen Township ABCs.
4. Continued outreach and relationship building with State Representative Dianne Herrin and State Senator Carolyn Comitta.
5. Investigated HDD 521 Subsidence utilizing a professional geologist (Dr. Ira Sasowsky).
6. Provided detailed comments for 2020 – 2021 Chester County Hazard Mitigation Plan, specifically for the Vulnerability Assessment of Hazardous Liquid and Gas Pipelines.
7. Reviewed and provided explanation of Bow Tree site surface water testing results. In conjunction with this effort, also reviewed Willistown Conservation Trust Water Sampling Program.
8. Provided input to requirements for Pipeline Awareness Study regarding zoning ordinance.
9. Provided questions regarding modifications at Adelphia valve station on Paoli Pike.
10. Provided input regarding Boot Road pump station leak.
11. Provided questions for Sunoco regarding their pipeline maintenance on Line Road.
12. Jointly with the Board of Supervisors, composed and sent a letter (dated 8/27/21) to the Pennsylvania PUC sharing concerns that aligned with the Chester County Commissioners and requested immediate shut down of the Sunoco pipeline.

**East Goshen Township Pipeline Task Force
2022 Goals**

1. Explore development of an East Goshen Township specific hazard mitigation plan for pipelines.
2. Increase communication to residents regarding evacuation and notification plans for pipeline emergencies.
3. Continue monitoring activities of all eleven (11) active pipelines in East Goshen Township.
4. Coordinate meetings with East Goshen Township's Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC) and review the role of EMC and the relationship to Natural Gas Liquid (NGL) pipeline safety.
5. Contribute to the East Goshen Township quarterly newsletter with information in easy-to-understand formats for the public.
6. Attend the monthly Chester County Sunshine meetings.
7. Revisit East Goshen Noise and Public Nuisance ordinances.
8. Fill vacancies on task force to achieve full staff of seven (7).
9. Explore a specific pipeline emergency evacuation plan for the Township. Provide input to development of this plan as appropriate.