

East Goshen Township
Pipeline Task Force Meeting Agenda
Thursday, October 13 2022
East Goshen Township Building
5:30 PM

1. Call to Order (5:30 PM)
2. Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence
3. Ask if anyone is recording the meeting.
4. Approval of Minutes (5:35 PM to 5:40 PM)
September 8, 2022
5. Public Comment (5:40 PM to 5:45 PM)
6. Discussion with Mike Groover, Deputy Director for Emergency Management, Chester County Department of Emergency Services (5:45 PM to 6:10 PM)
7. Chairperson's Report (6:10 PM to 6:20 PM)
8. Reports (6:20 PM to 6:25 PM)
 - a. Legislative Update
9. Old Business (6:25 PM to 6:40 PM)
 - a. Update on recruiting new PTF members.
 - b. Any response from NJR Midstream regarding request for external leak detectors at Adelphia valve station.
 - c. List of valve stations and above-ground facilities for pipelines carrying hazardous materials within EGT.
 - d. Draft letter regarding FEMA guides on pipeline emergencies.
10. New Business (6:40 PM to 6:45 PM)
11. Liaison Reports (6:45 PM to 6:50 PM)
 - a. Update interactions with local fire companies regarding pipeline emergency response training.
12. Any Other Matter (6:50 PM to 6:55 PM)
13. Correspondence (6:55 PM to 7:00 PM)
14. Adjournment (7:00 PM)

PIPELINE TASK FORCE
Thursday, September 8, 2022
East Goshen Township Building
DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present are highlighted:

Chair: Gerry Sexton; Vice Chair: Jim Christenson

Members: Judi DiFonzo, Bill Wegemann

Others Present are highlighted

Township Supervisor: David Shuey; Township Manager: Derek Davis; Township

Office Administrator: Ashley Nowak

COMMON ACRONYMS:

<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>ET</i>	<i>Energy Transfer</i>
<i>FEMA</i>	<i>Federal Emergency Management Agency</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>NGL</i>	<i>Natural Gas Liquids</i>
<i>PHMSA</i>	<i>Pipeline Hazard Materials and Safety Administration</i>
<i>PMN</i>	<i>Post Meeting Note</i>
<i>PTF</i>	<i>Pipeline Task Force</i>
<i>PUC</i>	<i>Public Utility Commission</i>

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Gerry called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Gerry noted that Sunday September 11th is Patriot Day and the 21st anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. He respectfully called for a moment of silence to remember all of those who were lost on that day.

Recording

Derek stated that the audio portion of this meeting was being recorded.

1 **Approval of Minutes**

2 The minutes from the meeting on August 11, 2022 were unanimously approved.

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4 **Public Comment**

5 Derek introduced Ashley Nowak who was hired as the EGT Office Administrator on August
6 22, 2022. Ashley will be the PTF liaison.

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8 **Chairperson's Report**

9 Gerry noted that the PUC recently reduced a fine imposed upon Sunoco Pipeline LP for
10 violations during construction of their Mariner East pipeline system through an
11 apartment complex in Middletown Township. The PUC had originally cited Sunoco for
12 creating a fire hazard, excessive noise pollution, and inadequate communication with
13 apartment occupants. Their revised decision only maintains the violation for poor
14 communications. The PUC stated that their intention was not to create a new and
15 impossible standard for noise levels during construction. The BOS is currently exploring
16 changes to the EGT Noise/Nuisance Ordinance. Gerry reviewed these changes and did
17 not find any potential conflicts with recent PUC ruling. The exceptions clause to the
18 ordinance would allow noise caused by construction activity that exceeds 75 dB during
19 certain hours.

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21 **Reports**

22 **Legislative Update**

23 None.

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25 **Old Business**

26 **PTF article for Fall Newsletter.**

27 Jim prepared an article from the PTF for the Fall Newsletter.

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29 **Recruiting new PTF members.**

30 Derek has posted or will post the list of qualifications for new PTF members on the
31 township website, Facebook, Nextdoor, and Constant Contact. It is permissible for the
32 PTF to reach out to potential new members. An executive session is not needed to
33 discuss details.

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35 **Large copies of EGT pipeline map.**

36 Derek is working on getting large hardcopies of the EGT pipeline. [PMN: Derek emailed
37 the PTF on 09/22/2022 that these hardcopies are ready.]

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39 **Update on Texas Eastern pipeline in EGT for use with proposed LNG plant in Chester.**

40 Derek discussed this topic with a representative from Enbridge Inc., owner of the Texas Eastern
41 pipeline. The PTF will continue to monitor this proposed project and especially the source of
42 natural gas for the LNG plant. It was agreed that this is the appropriate action at this time.

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44 **Letter requesting external leak detectors at Adelpia valve station.**

45 Derek reviewed a draft of the letter requesting installation of external leak detectors at
46 the Adelpia natural gas valve station on Paoli Pike. The PTF had no comments and was
47 fine with this letter as is. [PMN: Derek sent this letter on 09/09/2022.]

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2 **External leak detectors at other valve stations and above-ground facilities for**
3 **pipelines carrying hazardous materials within EGT.**

4 The PTF recommended that EGT have a list of all valve stations and above-ground
5 facilities for pipelines carrying hazardous materials within the township. This list would
6 be very useful in a pipeline emergency. Derek will speak with Mark Miller (Director of
7 Public Works) about creating this list.

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9 **Update on private water testing for EGT residents under ET plea agreement.**

10 Derek will verify with Joe Massaro of Energy Transfer that the appropriate EGT
11 residents were notified regarding this water testing.

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13 **FEMA guides on pipeline emergencies.**

14 Judi had previously discussed two booklets from FEMA she saw on the ready.gov
15 website. One is a guide to citizen preparedness and the other is a guide for alerts and
16 warnings. She noted there was a lack of information regarding pipeline emergencies.
17 Judi reviewed the first draft of a letter she wrote that requests appropriate government
18 agencies to provide adequate information on what to do in a pipeline emergency. The
19 PTF will provide comments on this draft to Judi. This document would ultimately serve
20 as the basis for letters from the BOS.

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22 **New Business**

23 None.

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25 **Liaison Reports**

26 None.

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28 **Any Other Matter**

29 Derek mentioned he was informed that Energy Transfer will be hosting a training
30 exercise at their Exton bypass valve site location on Tuesday 09/13/2022. Judi indicated
31 she may be able to attend.

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33 **Correspondence**

34 None.

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36 **Adjournment**

37 The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

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39 **Next Meeting**

40 The next meeting will be on Thursday, October 13, 2022, @ 5:30 pm.

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42 Respectfully submitted,

43 *Gerald Sexton*

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