EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING May 10, 2023

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. Members in attendance are indicated in **BOLD**: **Sandra Snyder, Chairman Dan Flynn, Vice Chairman Erich Mever**

Scott Sanders Walter Wujcik Karen Martynick

Others present were: Michele Truitt, Township Supervisor Ashley Nowak, Office Administrator Eunice Alexander, Goshen Tree Tenders

<u>Call to Order</u> Sandra called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Sandra led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and then asked for a moment of silence to remember our first responders, military and medical.

<u>Minutes</u>

The minutes of the April 12, 2023 meeting were approved as amended.

<u>Chairman's Report</u>

<u>1. New Board Member -</u> At the April meeting, the Board members were provided copies of a resume from Matthew R. McGeehan who applied for a position on the Conservancy Board. Matthew was present at tonight's meeting. He mentioned that he moved to East Goshen 2 years ago and lives on Cooper Circle. He loves it here. He worked with the Waterworks in Phila. They are experimenting with sea muscles to find ways to clean the water. He did 3D copies of the organs in the muscles. The Conservancy Board members introduced themselves to Matthew. After discussion Walter moved to approve Matthew McGeehan's appointment to the Conservancy Board. Dan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Matthew was welcomed to the Board.

<u>2. ABC Appreciation Event</u> – This was a good event, well attended and the Board thanked the BOS. The format was better than the sit down dinner because you could go around and talk to everyone.

Tree City USA

The Board of Supervisors will have one Tree City USA sign posted at Paoli Pike and Line Road and at the other one at the Welcome to East Goshen sign on West Chester Pike.

Educational Workshops

Sandy suggested that the Board members think about ideas for another workshop possibly the 3rd week of September. She also suggested inviting surrounding townships. Dan mentioned that the two speakers at the first workshop did it per gratis, so he suggested sending them a thank you letter. A letter will be sent signed by Michele Truitt and John Hertzog. Michele gave Sandy information about lectures that she got at the PSATs meeting.

<u>Old Business</u>

<u>1. KEGBD –</u> Sandy mentioned that there is a plaque in the lobby which names the group that collected the most trash on KEGBD. Walter mentioned some of groups that collected this year. Mark Miller suggested that there be a spring and a fall KEGBD. Sandy voiced concern that some residents don't understand what KEGBD is. So, an article will be done for the next two newsletters describing what is done that day and how important it is. Also, signs need to be made and posted throughout the Township.

<u>2. Supple Valley Preserve Planting –</u> Walter reported that he checked the new trees. They are blooming and all look good. A Fall planting was discussed.

<u>3. ESAC Expo</u> - The Environmental & Sustainability Advisory Council (ESAC) had an expo in East Goshen Park which had to be changed to Sunday because of the weather. Walter and Karen were at the Conservancy Board table in the Pavilion. Walter commented that attendance was good. Walter mentioned some of the people/companies that had tables there. Because it was held next to the playground, it was suggested that they include something for kids to do next year.

<u>4. Street Tree Ordinance</u> – The Board members received copies of the lists of trees in East Goshen Ordinance but there is nothing about street trees. The responsibility of street trees was discussed. Dan mentioned that PECO has guidelines for planting street trees. Michele mentioned that Derick Davis is working with the township attorney on this project.

New Business

<u>1. Beaver Dam in Supplee Valley Preserve</u> – Sandy mentioned that she received an email from someone who is "pro Beaver". The problems that these dams cause in this wetland area were discussed. Michele mentioned that there are 3 locations in the Township where beavers are building dams. She explained that we relocate them to a safer area. Sandy will respond to the email.

Liaison Reports

<u>1. Municipal Authority</u> – Walter mentioned that the Hershey Mill pipeline has been replaced. Landscaping will be done, and everyone was pleased with this project.

Any Other Matter

<u>1.Marydell Pond</u> - Michele_mentioned that a ribbon cutting will be held at the pond on Saturday June 3, 2023 at 10:00 am and suggested that some Board members be present.

Board Member Concerns

1<u>Airport Road</u> – Michele mentioned that there are "mulch Volcanoes" along Airport Road. The landscapers are putting mulch too high and too close around the trees

Public Comment

1, Eunice mentioned that they have been watering in Supplee Valley. She also spoke about the beavers.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business, Walter moved to adjourn the meeting. Dan seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary