

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING  
February 14, 2024**

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. Members in attendance are indicated in **BOLD**:

**Sandra Snyder, Chairman**

**Dan Flynn, Vice Chairman**

**Erich Meyer**

Scott Sanders

**Walter Wujcik**

**Karen Martynick**

Matthew McGeehan

**Others present were:**

**Cody Bright, Township Supervisor (on phone)**

**Ashley Nowak, Office Administrator**

Eunice Alexander, Goshen Tree Tenders

Peg Friese, Goshen Tree Tenders

**Julia Ross, Resident**

**Call to Order**

Sandy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence**

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

**Minutes**

The minutes of the January 10, 2024 meeting were approved as amended.

**Chairman's Report**

Sandy commented that the agenda will be modified.

**Tree City USA**

Ashely submitted the annual application the end of January. Next year we may qualify for some awards. She will send the information to the CB members.

**Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day**

This annual event will be held on Saturday April 20, 2024. Signs were discussed. Walter moved to approve up to \$350.00 for double sided signs for KEGBD. Erich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ashley will check and get new pricing for the signs. Sandy mentioned that the Spring Township Newsletter was just sent out but there was no article about KEGBD. She wants the due date for articles added to the list of dates on their agenda so they will know when to submit their articles. There are only 3 newsletters per year now. The board discussed the use of social media.

### **Election of Officers**

Chairman – Sandy nominated Dan for Chairman. Erich seconded the nomination. The nomination was passed unanimously.

Vice Chairman – Walter nominated Karen for Vice Chairman. Sandy seconded the nomination. The nomination was passed unanimously.

### **Annual ABC Meeting**

The annual ABC Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 6:30 pm. Dan will make the presentation of the CB's goals. Cody mentioned that this meeting will be held every two years not annually.

### **Public Comment**

Sandy introduced Julia Ross. Julia Ross has lived in East Goshen since 1998. She explained that she just retired and has been involved in environmental climatology so she wanted to see what the CB does. She wants to give back now. The PA Naturalists just accepted her. They train volunteers to work on nature projects, similar to the Master Gardeners. She is very interested in becoming a CB member.

### **Review of Goals**

1. Blue Bird Boxes were discussed. Dan can do the initial clean out, but they have to be checked regularly to be sure some other birds haven't built nests in the box. Sandy suggested doing a walk through on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in Applebrook. Liability for volunteers was discussed. There is a waiver for KEGBD. Cody will discuss with the BOS.
2. Arbor Day trees. Sandy checked the 2 Arbor Day trees. One does look dead but the other looks ok. A motion to replace the dead one was tabled until next month.
3. CRC Planting – Some of the trees they planted are near the pipeline. Mark Miller said they would move them. Sandy mentioned that when they did the walk through with the CRC, they said they would move any of the trees if we wanted to.
4. Supplee Valley – There was discussion about planting more trees in Supplee Valley. Another area to enforce the riparian buffer is at the Blacksmith Shop.
5. Discussed renewing the spraying maintenance for invasives.
6. Tree City certification will continue.
7. Cody mentioned that they are thinking of putting landscaping in front of the Township Building.

### **Educational Workshops**

Dan spoke about the indoor and outdoor programs. The outdoor could start at the Blacksmith Shop and end in Clymer's Woods. He talked with Meghan at Penn State about setting up the indoor program. Karen mentioned that the Master Gardeners will work with Meghan.

### **Liaison Reports –**

1. Municipal Authority - Walter reported that the plant was in compliance and the flows were up in January because of all the rain. He mentioned the new UV system and new auto feed system they are installing. He spoke about the line televising.
2. Board of Supervisors – Cody mentioned that Jason Lang gave contact information for CTDI and other companies that might be able to help with plantings. The Milltown Dam will be ready in early May. They are working on a plan for a walkway there.

**Any Other Matter**

Julia was asked to leave the meeting. The Board members discussed her interest in becoming a member and her experience. Walter moved to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that she be considered for CB membership. Dan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Sandy will send a letter to Derrick Davis, Township Manager. Also, the board members want to know what the rules are concerning lack of attendance by members.

**Board Member Concerns -** None

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Erich moved to adjourn the meeting. Walter seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary