

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
TUESDAY, February 20, 2024  
FINAL MINUTES**

*Note: This meeting was held in person at the East Goshen Township Board Room.*

**Present:** Chairman Michele Truitt; John Hertzog, Cody Bright, Peter Hicks, Barbara Emery; Township Manager Derek Davis; Finance Director Dave Ware; Chief Brenda Bernot; Goshen Fire Chief Christopher O’Neil. Erich Meyer (Conservancy)

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance:**

Michele called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Boy Scout Troop 98 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Michele led the moment of silence for first responders and those involved in the Texas church shooting.

Michele stated the meeting is being recorded via Zoom and will be available on the Township website.

**Chairman’s Report:**

Michele announced the board did not meet in executive session prior to this meeting to discuss personnel matters. However, they did meet with Boy Scout Troop 98.

**Public Comments:** None

**Emergency Services Reports:**

WEGO – Chief Brenda Bernot presented January’s 2024 activities in East Goshen Township.

Derek explained the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Police Protection Units.

Michele expressed her concern about it being unbalanced for the townships.

Cody made a motion to pass the Memorandum of Understanding with Westtown Township regarding the suspension of the reconciliation provision of the Police Protection Unit system until September 30, 2025.

Barbara seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

Christopher O’Neil presented Goshen Fire January 2024 report.

Derek stated there is no representative from Malvern Fire Company and Good Fellowship both reports for January 2024 are in the packet. Also Good Fellowship 2023 Year End Report is in the packet.

**Public Hearings:** None

**Financial Report:**

Dave presented the January 2024 financial report.

**Minutes:**

Cody made a motion to approve the minutes for February 6, 2024.

Peter seconded.

Motion carried 4-0. Michele abstained.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Dave Ware presented the February 1, 2024 to February 15, 2024 Treasurer's Report.

Cody made a motion to accept the receipts and approve the expenditures as presented in the Expenditure Register and as summarized in the Treasurer's Report.

John seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Old Business:**

**2024 Chair Appointment for the Environmental & Sustainability Advisory Council.**

Barbara made a motion to appoint Christi Supple as Chair of the Environmental & Sustainability Advisory Council for the 2024 calendar year.

John seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Resolution for first responder tax credit.**

Derek explained the tax credit resolution.

Barbara made a motion to pass Resolution 2024-05, establishing eligibility criteria for volunteer First Responders seeking tax credits for both real estate and income taxes within East Goshen Township.

Peter seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Carbon Dioxide Pipeline Ordinance.**

Derek went over the changes from the last meeting and stated it will be a standalone ordinance.

Cody made a motion to authorize the township manager and township solicitor to advertise the attached ordinance for passage, a standalone ordinance establishing setbacks and other requirements for Carbon Dioxide Transmission Pipelines within East Gosehn Township.

John seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) Alternate Appointments.**

John made a motion to appoint Jim Christenson and Michael Trio as alternates to the East Goshen Zoning Hearing Board.

Cody seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**New Business:**

Mailbox reimbursements from plow truck damage.

Derek explained the past snowstorms caused mailbox damage while plowing. The reimbursements have not been increased in several years and are currently at \$25.

The Board agreed an increase to \$50 would be reasonable.

**Pipeline Task Force Appointments**

Cody made a motion to appoint David Shuey and Mary McCloskey to the two vacant seats on the East Goshen Pipeline Task Force.

John seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Conservancy Board Appointment.**

John made a motion to appoint Julia Ross to fill the remaining open seat on East Goshen's Conservancy Board.

Cody seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Standing Issues/Projects:**

**Milltown Dam Project**

Derek announced there was a project meeting last week. They are looking to wrap up end of April or early May.

**Bow Tree Pond**

Derek announced they will be wrapping up shortly. The dredging is done and the restoration work will begin.

**Any Other Matter:**

Derek wanted to put on record that there was a 28-acre property sold to the university. There are rumors for land development. East Whiteland is looking to buy it for open space. If an application would come through for subdivision it would also come to East Goshen.

John announced there will be a small celebration for Memorial Day.

**Public Comment:** None

**Liaison Reports:**

Cody announced the Conservancy Board is looking into tree plantings for Milltown.

Michele announced the Municipal Authority is working on a 10 year capital replacement plan. They are also looking to increase sewer rate fees.

**Correspondence, Reports of Interest:** None

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Cody motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:57.

Barbara seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Wilhelmy