

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
TUESDAY, May 7, 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 Grant Everhart, Erich Meyer (Conservancy)

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

Michele called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and John led the Pledge of Allegiance.

John led the moment of silence for our first responders.

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

**Chairman's Report:**

Michele announced the board met in executive session before this meeting to discuss real estate and personnel matter. She also reminded everyone of the Flower Sale at Goshen Fire, celebrating EMS week and the Memorial Day Event on Memorial Day at the park.

**Public Comment:** None

**Emergency Services Reports:** None

**Public Hearings:** None

**Financial Report:** None

**Minutes:** None

**Treasurer's Report:**

Dave Ware presented the April 11, 2024 to May 2, 2024 Treasurer's Report.

John asked for the amount left in the sewer capital reserve.

Dave answered.

Michele asked for a year to date for tree removal.

Dave answered.

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:**

**Gas Pump – Emergency Replacement.**

Derek gave an overview of the need and quotes.

Cody made a motion to authorize the purchase of the emergency fuel system in the amount of \$91,000 from Hafer Equipment.

John asked about the monthly payments.

John seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Continuation of Sewer Rate Discussion.**

Michele asked about the different kinds of rates.

John asked the amount of money would be brought in if we did the \$20 quarter increase and what things are needed.

Michele asked how much money should we have in the reserved amounts today and in 10 years.

Dave answered.

Cody made a recommendation to increase to \$30 a quarter.

The Board agrees that an increase is needed.

**New Business**

**Discussion of Senate Bill 1126 and pursuing a letter to officially oppose.**

Derek provided an overview of the Senate Bill 1126.

Barbara stated this bill gives builders control.

Barbara made a motion to authorize the township manager to draft and send a letter to the aforementioned individuals to express our opposition regarding Senate Bill 1126.

John seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

**Meeting Schedule for the rest of 2024.**

Derek was looking for input from the Board on the meeting schedule. He went over the rest of this year's schedule.

Barbara feels we should have a consistent schedule during budget season. December

Cody asked to remove the June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The board agrees to remove June 4<sup>th</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup> and December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Standing Issues/Projects**

**Milltown Dam Project**

Derek stated they are starting restoration next week. Public Works has started the trail work.

**Any Other Matter**

Dave shared there is \$32,000 left of ARPA money.

Michele asked the board to consider putting out an RFP for engineering services.

**Public Comment:**

Ruth Ann Stewart, East Goshen Resident, asked about the progress on the Bow Tree Pond.

Derek addressed her concerns.

**Liaison Reports:**

Barbara provided an update from Pipeline and ESAC. Pipeline is staying on top of NOC2. They were also asked to weigh in on the potential pipeline issue in the shared development on Morstien Road. ESAC is continuing their visit to business to reduce single use plastics. They have also been talking with the managements of multi-family dwelling to see if they can offer some education and resources for recycling.

Dave mentioned ESAC planting a garden in the parking lot.

Cody mentioned the Conservancy Board provided comments for the Morstien Road Development.

**Correspondence, Reports of Interest:** None

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Cody motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:06.

John seconded.

Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Wilhelmy