AGENDA EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING

1580 Paoli Pike, 2nd Floor West Chester, PA 19380 October 8, 2025 - 7:00 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a.- From 8/10/2025 meeting
- 3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
 - a. general comments
- 4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Consider proposal from Sustainability on plantings for salt run-off reduction
- 5. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. Weed Control
 - b. Communications social media, etc. next social media message
 - c. Street trees
 - e. Fall docket Peco trees, new planting for fall
- 6. SUBDIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW none
- 7. VARIANCES/CONDITIONAL USES None
- 8. LIAISON REPORTS
- 9. CORRESPONDENCE
- 10. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS
- 11. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

DATES OF IMPORTANCE -

Date	1. Meeting	2. Time
10/16, 17 &	Tree Planting at Deer Field Knoll - WCT	Varies
18/25		
10/25/25	The Healing Harvest/Fire Cider Workshop - WCT	10:00 am
10/1-10/15/25	Fall Salt Pollution Snapshot - Stroud	Varies
10/15/25	Salt Intrusion Lecture - Stroud	
11/12/25	Conservancy Board Meeting	7:00 pm

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Call to Order

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

Christie McCormack, Hershey's Mill Nature Committee

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Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Dan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and then asked for a moment of silence to remember our first responders, police, fire fighters and EMTs.

presentation about the Willistown Conservation Trust and the watersheds in that area. A

Dan introduced Lauren MCGrath of the Willistown Conservation Trust. She gave a

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New Business

second edition of the State of the Streams will be ready next month. WTC has three sample sites in East Goshen. She mentioned that 34% of all streams in PA are listed as impaired. Chloride in the water is increasing because of the use of salt on the roads. She provided a map showing planting areas. We need to plant more trees. Michele mentioned that she and Mark Miller met with some residents and educated them about mowing the grass up to the edge of the creek and allowed them to grow meadows instead. Excess nitrogen in the water causes algae. Michele spoke about the Hershey Mill Dam and the Milltown Dam which were breached. She isn't sure about any improvement in the water. Lauren commented that it takes a long time for a good impact. She spoke about impervious surface and application of fertilizers, which can lead to increased nutrient levels in the water. Sandy mentioned that she has noticed in rural areas that they are going back to salt and cinders application. There was discussion about winter storms and the use of salt. Lauren mentioned that there are grants available for planting trees. She downloaded a map showing areas that need plantings. Dan thanked Lauren for her presentation.

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The minutes of the July 9, 2025 meeting were approved.

Chairman's Report

Jackie was congratulated on being awarded membership in the Goshen Tree Tenders.

Old Business

<u>1. Weed Control</u> - Dan spoke to Mark Miller who reported that the normal weed spraying is being done. Weeds around the trees that the CRC planted are bad. Dan contacted the CRC.

<u>2. Communications -</u> Social media was discussed. Dan will get two messages on the website.

3. Street Trees - On Hold.

<u>Subdivision/ Land Development Review -</u> Sandy mentioned that the plans for the Supplee Valley development were supposed to come back to the Conservancy Board because we did not approve the landscape plan. When will we get it?

Variances/Conditional Uses - None

Liaison Reports -

1. Board of Supervisors - Michelle reported that PECO is going to remove 100 trees and undergrowth along Duttonmill Road. In the past, PECO has not removed the remains of the trees they removed. PECO has a Releaf program and Michele is requesting PECO to give EG some funds from this program. Also the County engineers are coming out to look at the Duttonmill bridge which will be renovated next year.

Correspondence - None

Board Member Concerns - None

Public Comment. -

Goshen Tree Tenders – Eunice had to leave early but provided a written report. The young Chestnut trees in Applebrook were weeded and watered. This week water needs to be applied to each of the Arbor Day trees. Eunice completed 85% of weeding and pruning the 7 living trees at Supplee Valley. Mark will have wood chips delivered to the site for GTTs use. GTT will install deer protection. Recommended trees for Supplee Valley are 2 Swamp White Oak and 1 River Birch.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business, Walter moved to adjourn the meeting. Karen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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