

**PIPELINE TASK FORCE**  
**Tuesday January 20, 2026**  
**East Goshen Township Building**  
**FINAL MINUTES**

**Members Present are highlighted**

**Chair: Gerry Sexton; Vice Chair: Mary McCloskey; Members: Judi DiFonzo, David Shuey**

**Others Present are highlighted**

**Township Supervisor: Ann Duffield; Office Administrator: Ashley Nowak**

**COMMON ACRONYMS:**

<i>ACOE</i>	<i>Army Core of Engineers</i>
<i>BI&amp;E</i>	<i>Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement</i>
<i>BOS</i>	<i>Board of Supervisors</i>
<i>CCATO</i>	<i>Chester County Association of Township Officials</i>
<i>CCPC</i>	<i>Chester County Planning Commission</i>
<i>DCNR</i>	<i>Department of Conservation and Natural Resources</i>
<i>DEP</i>	<i>Department of Environmental Protection</i>
<i>DES</i>	<i>Department of Emergency Services</i>
<i>EGT</i>	<i>East Goshen Township</i>
<i>ET</i>	<i>Energy Transfer</i>
<i>FEMA</i>	<i>Federal Emergency Management Agency</i>
<i>HDD</i>	<i>Horizontal Directional Drilling</i>
<i>IR</i>	<i>Inadvertent Return</i>
<i>MACH2</i>	<i>Mid-Atlantic Clean Hydrogen Hub</i>
<i>ME1</i>	<i>Mariner East 1</i>
<i>ME2</i>	<i>Mariner East 2</i>
<i>NGL</i>	<i>Natural Gas Liquids</i>
<i>PHMSA</i>	<i>Pipeline Hazard Materials and Safety Administration</i>
<i>PMN</i>	<i>Post Meeting Note</i>
<i>PTF</i>	<i>Pipeline Task Force</i>
<i>PUC</i>	<i>Public Utility Commission</i>

**Call to Order**

Gerry called the meeting to order at 10:04 am.

**Recording**

The meeting was not being recorded.

**Approval of Minutes**

The draft minutes from November 18, 2025, were approved as is.

## **Public Comment**

None.

## **Chairperson's Report**

Gerry summarized an article on the piloting of a methane pyrolysis process that produces so-called "turquoise" hydrogen. Pyrolysis is a high temperature reaction without oxygen. Methane pyrolysis does not produce carbon dioxide gas. Rather, the byproduct is carbon in solid form which is easier to transport and has many industrial applications. This process uses five times less electricity than electrolytic hydrogen production and does not require water. There are significant environmental advantages to this technology.

Gerry also summarized an article titled "Consequence Analysis of the Satartia Carbon Dioxide Release."

## **Old Business**

### **Discuss draft letter to PennDOT appealing their decision on Paoli Pike guide railing at Williams/Transco natural gas valve station**

Judi had some comments to improve the clarity of the wording. Gerry will incorporate these. All edits need to be sent to Gerry by 01/23/2026 so he can send the final version to Derek for the next BOS meeting. Ashley reported that Derek reached out to the Williams/Transco, but he has not heard back. [PMN: The BOS approved sending this letter at their meeting on 02/03/2026.]

### **Review and finalize PTF article for next township newsletter (due 1/20/2026)**

The topic for this article is our 2025 accomplishments. Gerry presented a first draft for discussion. David suggested adding the dates of our upcoming meetings. Gerry will finalize and submit the article by the deadline.

It was noted that the deadline for the next township newsletter is 06/30/2026. We will discuss potential topics at the next PTF meeting.

### **Update on Chester County Emergency Planning – EGT Pipeline Incident Annex**

Ashley will talk with Emergency Management Coordinator Duane Brady about an update on when the PTF can review the annex.

## **New Business**

### **Complete Code of Ethics Forms**

Forms were completed.

### **Prepare for ABC Biennial Planning Session on 3/10/2026**

Gerry will draft a summary of our accomplishments and goals and then send it out for review by the group. Several good comments were made regarding our goals and will be incorporated.

**Reports / Legislative Update**

None.

**Liaison Reports**

None.

**Correspondence / Any Other Matter**

None.

**Next meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at 10:00am.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:44am.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Ashley Nowak, Office Administrator*

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