

AGENDA
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
1580 Paoli Pike, 2nd Floor
May 13, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. 4/8/26 meeting
3. Discussion with Danni Scott of CRC Watersheds on CRC activities and the Applebrook trees
4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
 - a. Thank you's
5. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Clymer's Woods poster refresh
 - b. Interest survey of potential seminars and workshops
 - c. Newsletter: articles due June 30th
6. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Recap of KEGB/Arbor Day
 - b. Bird Town PA update
 - c. America250 East Goshen vs West Goshen Bioblitz
 - d. Workshops/events for 2026
 - e. Applebrook tree planting and maintenance planning next steps
7. SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW – None
8. VARIANCES/CONDITIONAL USES – None
9. LIAISON REPORTS – None
10. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS
11. PUBLIC COMMENT
12. ADJOURNMENT

Draft Interest Survey

Interest Survey of East Goshen Township's Conservation, Environmental and Sustainability Workshops and Events

We're planning our program of conservation and sustainability workshops and events for 2026-2027, and we need your input! Please take a brief survey— **5 minutes max** —to give us your input on topics you'd like to learn more about.

Please tell us your level of interest in these public workshops or events:

Potential Public Event/Workshop	Not interested	Interested	Would attend
Bioblitz: Friendly East Goshen vs West Goshen contest using the free iNaturalist app to identify and count local plants, animals and insects			
Guided Tree Walk in East Goshen Park: Walk with a tree expert to learn how to identify trees and help the Township catalogue and label native plants			
Bring Back the Pollinators!: Discussion on local bees and other pollinators by a renowned expert			
Mowed to Meadow: Workshop with info and tips on converting lawns into meadows/native gardens			
Birding in Applebrook: Walk through Applebrook Park with an expert birder to learn about and identify some of East Goshen's resident birds			
Community Dog Walk: Join pups and their people for a group walk through EGT Park			
What Can We Do About Invasives in East Goshen? Discussion on identifying and managing invasive plants in your backyard and across Township open spaces			
Protecting Our Watersheds: Seminar on ways local citizens can support efforts to protect and preserve our watersheds			
Water Quality Trends in Chester County: Discussion with local experts on the state of local water quality			
Other: Please list your ideas for workshops and events you'd like to see on conservation, environmental and sustainability topics:			

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CONSERVANCY BOARD MEETING
April 8, 2026

The East Goshen Township Conservancy Board held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. Members in attendance are indicated in **BOLD**:

Julie Ross - Chairman

Walter Wujcik - Vice Chairman

Jackie Ahlborn

Julieta Calmon

Erich Meyer

Sandra Snyder

Susan Vanesse

Others present were:

Ann Duffield, Township Supervisor

Ashley Nowak, Office Administrator

Eunice Alexander, Goshen Tree Tenders

Peg Friese, Goshen Tree Tenders

Nada Neskovic, West Chester East Environmental Club

Robert Murray, ESAC Member

Tom

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Julie led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and then asked for a moment of silence to remember our First Responders and others who keep us safe.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 11, 2026 meeting were approved.

Chairman's Report -

Julie reviewed the ongoing goals. Blue Bird boxes were discussed. Nada Neskovic, West Chester East Environmental Club is receiving a Humanitarian award. Julie talked to a CRC rep and they would like to do more maintenance in Applebrook.

New Business -

1. Tree Maintenance - Trees need a lot of weeding. Eunice spoke about how to prune trees and maintain cages for trees. Julie mentioned that there are a few trees in Clymers Woods that have damage from the deer rubbing them.

1 **2.Public Workshops –**

2 a. Peg spoke about the types of pollinators and how they need help. Peg could do a
3 presentation or a new rep from Longwood.

4 b. Bioblitz – Peg explained that INaturalist is an app for your phone that can
5 identify animals and plants for scientific research. They attended a Bioblitz meeting on
6 9/26 in Delco. They identified 299 species. She showed pictures of what they identified.
7 There was discussion about having a competition maybe in September. Pick a date and
8 have a kickoff meeting. Then let people observe over the week. Julie will speak with Jason
9 Lang.

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12 **Old Business**

13 **1. KEGB Day -** It is scheduled for April 25, 2026. Participants can come to the Township
14 building to get supplies. CB members should be there at 8 am. At 9:30 am the proclamation
15 will be read on the Chamber side of Applebrook. Mainline Health contacted Julie and has a
16 group who wants to participate. She feels they could help clean up Applebrook. Eunice
17 reminded everyone that they need to bring tools – handforks, rakes, etc. Ashley has to send
18 a photo to Tree City.

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21 **2. PECO Arbor Day** – This event will be held on April 24, 2026 from 10 to 12 noon at the
22 Veterans Pavilion. Registration for trees is full (120).

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25 **3. Wood Duck Box Project** – The boxes have been installed along Ridley Creek in Applebrook
26 near Bellingham.

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29 **4. Tree City USA -** Ashley reported that the application for this year has been accepted.

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33 suggested planting shrubs with berries in Applebrook.

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36 **6. Future Plantings** - We need to have a plan for future plantings. Our #1 responsibility is
37 taking care of what we have, then have a plan for the future. Eunice mentioned Supplee
38 Valley. We need to walk it with boots on, and do basic maintenance and remove some
39 cages. It was decided to do this on Wednesday April 15, 2026 from 9 – 11 am.

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42 **Subdivision/ Land Development Review** - None

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45 **Variences/Conditional Uses** – None

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Board Member Concerns – Juliette mentioned that she attended the meadow training course. Peg explained what needs to be done to establish a meadow.

Public Comment – Tom spoke about his property in Goshen Downs near the basin. He would like to have a meadow and some trees installed.

Adjournment
There being no further business, Erich moved to adjourn the meeting. Walter seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 13, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary