

## **PENNEAST PIPELINE COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE**

Meeting Notes 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Attendees: Mayor David Del Vecchio, Councillor Ward Sanders, Sue Begent, Kim Nagy, Gina Fischetti, Kelly Kappler

### Notes and Action Items

1. Future meeting dates: Every 2 weeks, for 1 hour. A teleconference line will be set up if members will be remote. Please notify Cindy Ege, City Clerk of need, ahead of time.

8am        Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October

8am        Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

8am        Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November

8am        Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November

2. Communication with town residents:

- We will hold an official city council meeting specifically to update residents (no other business). Target date is **evening of Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October**
  - o Cindy will investigate if a town meeting venue is available for the date
  - o Ward will approach Suez to attend once we have a date/venue
  - o Sue will draft a rough idea outline for committee member presentations, for circulation and **finalization at the next pipeline meeting morning of 19<sup>th</sup> Oct**
  - o We will generate an “interested resident” list at that meeting
  - o ***Kelly/Someone please add the 4 things residents are likely to want to know here!***
- The town pipeline committee will create regular updates (once a month?) to send to the list of “interested residents”, and pipeline meeting summaries will be posted on the “City of Lambertville” Facebook page
- City pipeline meetings are open to town residents to attend as observers. If residents would like to add agenda items, they may submit this to the city clerk. 48 hours notice is requested
- A summary update will be supplied to the town library as some residents seek information through this channel

### 3. Engagement with other parties/external agencies:

- Lambertville pipeline committee needs expert advice on content and actions/ comments for the FERC EIS (comment period 15<sup>th</sup> December to 15<sup>th</sup> January) and to understand what actions we can take prior to that period
  - o **Sue** to talk with Lorraine Crown to understand who other towns have used and investigate potential for hiring an attorney for this (Nicole Voight, Princeton Environmental lawyers Lieberman and Blecher?)
  - o **Ward** to contact the Ruth Foster at the DEP to understand what permits will be required from them for the pipeline, and find out when their public hearings are occurring
  - o **Dave** to contact Fisher at the State Agricultural Council to understand their role, implications for Lambertville and what actions we can take to support them?
  - o **Ward** to contact US EPA, identify who made their submission to the FERC DEIS and contact them with a summary of the risk to the Lambertville water supply from the town submission to the DEIS
  - o **Dave** to contact the State Historical Preservation society and investigate if a contact he has there would be available to present to or join the City Pipeline committee
  - o **Cindy** to provide the US Fish and Wildlife intervention to committee members (It was supplied to the city)
  - o **Ward** to review the SUEZ FERC DEIS intervention for the pipeline committee at our next meeting (it was sent to the town). Since their DEIS intervention, Penn East have marginally rerouted the pipeline away from the swan creek dam. How meaningful is this and where do Suez now stand in relation to this issue?
  - o **Sue** to ask Lorraine Crown for guidance re DRBC - did they intervene? When is their review period, can we comment and when/if do they have a hearing?
  - o **Ward** to reach out to invite Stephanie Brand of the NJ rate Payers Council to join the City Pipeline committee (she lives in town)
  - o **Dave** to invite Marla from the Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission (DRCC) to talk to our city pipeline committee
  - o **Sue** to understand how our city group might best interact with other affected city pipeline groups from Lorraine Crown
  - o **Kim** to create a short summary and next steps from these notes for the City of Lambertville Facebook page/public update

- Discussed items without action points for next meeting
  - o How to meaningfully engage for productive outcome with State House Commission/Greenacres
  - o What actions should we take as a committee, regarding the Rock St West Pipeline access rd, impacting school buses and the George Washington Historical trail?
  - o **Kim:** How to best guide residents who want to take meaningful action
    - o Clarify facts surrounding garden State Expansion pipeline and its impact on Penn East if stopped
    - o Clarify details including dates, times and venue for NJDEP hearings on this pipeline
    - o Is there also another pipeline that could also impact Penn east if stopped? - get details
  - o Kim notified the group that the CAP group will be seeking permission from the mayor to put an anti pipeline banner across Bridge Street

#### Preliminary agenda for Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October

- o Final review slides for town meeting (that evening)
- o Sue, Ward and Dave to provide updates and next steps on their action items above
- o Set goals and objectives for
  - o Preparing for FERC EIS
  - o Intervention with State bodies who have Penn East approver responsibility