

EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP 2006 ANNUAL REPORT



ACCOMPLISHMENTS & NOTABLE EVENTS

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INTRODUCTION

The information contained in the following pages is an administrative summary of the municipal activity occurring in East Bradford Township in 2006. The purpose of this publication is to serve as a vehicle for highlighting municipal accomplishments and noteworthy events during the past year rather than as a statistical compendium. The details of the monthly business of the Board of Supervisors, its appointed Advisory Boards and Commissions (ABC's) and the daily activities of the Township staff can be examined through recorded minutes, the annual budget(s) / audit, codes and building reports, subdivision / land development files, monthly financial reports, and numerous other municipal records available to the citizens of East Bradford Township and the general public upon request (under the Open Records Law). Increasingly, more municipal information for East Bradford Township can be obtained from the Township web site (www.eastbradford.org) including historical facts, Board of Supervisors and ABC minutes, codes (including zoning and subdivision), municipal services, and annual budgets. The intent of the annual report is to serve as an educational resource and archival document for East Bradford taxpayers, property owners and citizens, elected and appointed Township officials, and those persons interested in the business of local government operation and administration. The Board of Supervisors of East Bradford Township embraces the attitude of "local government as accessible, responsive, and service oriented."



I. ORGANIZATION & ADMINISTRATION

- In March, the Board adopted a new sketch plan policy. The policy gives applicants the option to submit two different kinds of sketch plans. The most informal version may be used for discussion with the ABC's only; no professional review comments are provided at this informal level. Or, an applicant may choose to submit a more formal version, which may be reviewed by professionals and staff.
- In June, the Township hired Rebecca Moodie, an intern from West Chester University. Rebecca's tasks included subdivision file organization and other administrative tasks.
- In the summer of 2006, the Township joined forces with the Chester County GIS Consortium. For an annual fee, the Township will receive several GIS updates each year as well as 100 hours of technical assistance to complete mapping projects.
- On December 24, 2006, retired Roadmaster and Public Works Foreman Fran Trego passed away. Fran served the Township for 18 years. He was 65 years old.

II. ADVISORY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (ABC's)

- The following volunteers were appointed or reappointed during 2006:
 - Kamil Ali-Jackson, Zoning Hearing Board
 - Joseph Armstrong, Open Space Review Board
 - Kathy Bergmann, Environmental Advisory Counsel
 - Anthony Biacchi, Planning Commission
 - Chuck Johnson, Planning Commission
 - Andy Lister, Environmental Advisory Counsel
 - Donald Lynn, Zoning Hearing Board
 - Barbara McClure-Moses, Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB)
 - Bruce Molholt, Environmental Advisory Counsel
 - Charles Myhre, Environmental Advisory Counsel
 - Peter Orr, Parks & Recreation Board
 - Alan Pomeroy, Planning Commission
 - Andrew Schaum, Zoning Hearing Board

- The following volunteers resigned from their positions during 2006:
 - Bruce Molholt, 5 years of service on the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC)
 - Robert Struble, 5 years of service on the EAC
 - Jeffrey Cantwell, 5 years of service on the EAC
 - Augie Murray-Young, __ years of service on the Historical Commission

- The Planning Commission refined its application evaluation procedures. The new procedures clarify the Commission's responsibilities and provide guidelines for discussing plans with applicants.

- In May 2006, the Historic Commission was honored by Preservation Alliance for its work with Wise Preservation on the Township Historic Resource Survey. The awards ceremony was held in the Crystal Tea Room at the Wanamaker Building in Philadelphia.

- The Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) recommended the formation of a club to manage hunting on certain Township lands. The club, known as the Brandywine Valley Archery Club, developed regulations and hunter qualification criteria. Twenty hunters qualified and hunted several Township-owned properties, including the Skelp Level Road park site, the former Sonoco property, Ingram's Mill Nature Area, and the Paradise Valley Nature Area. Approximately 20 deer were harvested. The EAC will be meeting with the club in 2007 to evaluate the results and the effectiveness of the hunting rules and make recommendations about a possible continuation of the hunting program.

- East Bradford Township Board of Supervisors is considering appointment of a Township resident volunteer to serve as Township Cultural Events Coordinator. This volunteer would be a hands-on coordinator, working as an adjunct with the Parks and Recreation Board and Township staff, to discover, plan, schedule, execute, and oversee cultural, recreation, and entertainment events underwritten and sponsored by the Township, for East Bradford residents. The Township believes there may be unexplored opportunities for recreation and cultural events to engage East Bradford residents in a community social setting.

III. PLANNING

Subdivisions & Land Developments The following subdivision/land development applications were reviewed in 2006:

- SD #564 Baldwin Book Barn; preliminary subdivision plan – The Baldwin Book Barn submitted a preliminary application in 2003 to subdivide the Book Barn property to create 4 new residential lots. The preliminary plan was approved in April 2005. The final plan was submitted in May 2005 and approved by the Supervisors in October 2006.
- SD #572 Walter; preliminary subdivision plan – Mr. and Mrs. Walter submitted a preliminary plan for a 4-lot subdivision. The Commission accepted the application in November 2005. The applicant continued to work with the Commission throughout 2006.
- SD #580 Wilson; final subdivision plans – Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilson submitted a subdivision application for a 5-lot subdivision at the corner of Miner Street and Sconnelltown Road. The Planning Commission accepted the plan in December 2004. The applicant continued to work with the Commission throughout the first part of 2005. The Board granted preliminary approval in October 2005 and final approval in April 2006.
- SD #573 Grace Baptist Church; preliminary land development plan – Grace Baptist Church submitted a land development application in 2004 to expand their current facilities. The applicant continued presenting to the Planning Commission throughout the first part of 2005. In July, the applicant submitted a time clock suspension request because they were in the process of purchasing another property. A new applicant – Old Paths Baptist Church – purchased the East Bradford property in December 2005, but withdrew the application in April 2006.
- SD #574 American Ice Tool Museum; final land development plan – Applicant Peter Stack submitted a land development application in 2004 to restore a historic barn and use it to display antique ice tools. The museum would be used for educational purposes. The applicant continued presenting to the Planning Commission throughout the first part of 2005. In March 2006, the applicant withdrew the application.
- SD #581 Schramm; preliminary plan – The applicant, OHB Homes and Wright Land Development submitted a preliminary application in June 2006 for a 25-lot subdivision on the former Schramm property (between Sconnelltown Road and Miner Street). The applicant obtained conditional use approval to utilize the open space development option in 2005. The PC accepted the application in June 2006 and the applicant continued to work with the Commission throughout the remainder of the year.
- SD #583 Haas/Banta; preliminary subdivision plan – Richard Haas and Lynn Banta submitted a subdivision plan to create 4 lots out of a 14.6-acre property in the Township's Industrial District. 2.2 acres are in East Caln Township. The plan was accepted by the Commission in May 2005. Discussions continued throughout 2006.

- SD #586 Holt/Leppert; final plan – Kevin Holt and Jeffrey Leppert submitted a final plan application for a 2-lot subdivision in December 2005. However, the applicant withdrew the application in June 2006.
- SD #587 Rite Aid; preliminary plan – In May 2006, Rite Aid Pharmacy and Bradford Plaza submitted a land development application for a Rite Aid Pharmacy on Downingtown Pike (in “phase II” of the Bradford Plaza complex). However, in July, the Township determined that conditional use approval was required and the land development time clock was suspended.
- SD #589 Schauer; final plan – In December 2006, Randy Schauer submitted an application to subdivide his 10.42-acre property into 2 lots. The larger lot (~8.42 acres) will include the main farm house; the smaller lot (~2 acres) will contain the tenant house. The Township purchased a conservation easement on the larger lot in September 2006. Discussions continued into 2007.
- SD #592 Roemer/EBT; final plan – In August 2006, East Bradford Township and the Roemer family submitted a subdivision application to shift the lot line between the Sonoco property and the Roemer property by 50 feet. The purpose of the adjustment was to give the Township more room to maintain the vegetation around the future East Branch Brandywine Trail. The Planning Commission accepted the application in August, but it was withdrawn in September. The Township decided to pursue an easement instead of a lot line change.
- McCool; sketch plan – The applicant, Raymond McCool, submitted a sketch plan for several office buildings at the intersection of Copeland School Road and Downingtown Pike. The Planning Commission heard the applicant’s presentation in February 2006. The applicant did not submit a formal application.

Conditional Uses The following conditional use applications were considered in 2006:

- SD #585 Kirkwall – Norcini Builders and TAG Builders submitted a conditional use application to use the open space development option to construct 11 single-family homes on a 39.9-acre property on the east side of Wawaset Road. The applicant presented the plan to the Planning Commission in September 2006. However, the plan was withdrawn for procedural reasons before hearings started.
- SD #588 Chester County Radio (WCHE) – The applicant, WCHE radio, submitted a conditional use application to expand its broadcasting range by erecting a second radio tower at its property along Route 322. The property is in the C-2 Zoning District. The applicant presented the plan to the Planning Commission in September 2005. The Commission recommended approval in October. The first hearing before the Supervisors also took place in October 2005 and the application was approved in March 2006.
- SD #587 Rite Aid – The applicant, Rite Aid Pharmacy and Bradford Plaza, submitted a conditional use application to construct a Rite Aid Pharmacy on Downingtown Pike (in “phase II” of the Bradford Plaza complex). The applicant presented to the Planning Commission in November 2006. The applicant granted a time extension to commence the hearings in 2007.

Other Planning Items

- In October, the Township submitted a Chester County Vision Partnership Program grant application for funding to update the Township Open Space, Recreation, and Environmental Resources Plan. A steering committee will be appointed to work on this update throughout 2007.
- The Township started the process to update the Official Map. The revised map will be adopted in early 2007.



IV. ZONING

The following Zoning Hearing Board applications were considered in 2006:

- T-Mobile/Omnipoint; Trolley Road – Variance to locate a communications tower in the R1 district. The application was withdrawn in April 2006.
- Chester County Radio; Downingtown Pike – Variance to place a radio tower in the floodplain and special exception to locate a radio tower in the C-2 Zoning District. The hearing was held on April 17, 2006. The Board granted the variance and special exception with conditions.
- Holt/Leppert; Miner Street – Variance for lot width at the street line. The application was withdrawn in July 2006.
- Brandywine Auto; Price Street and Bradford Avenue – Appeal of enforcement notice. The appeal was settled by stipulation and withdrawn in August 2006.
- Hughes; Lenape Road – Variance for construction in the floodplain. The application was withdrawn in December 2006.
- McCallin; Meadow Lane – Variance to nonconforming provision to merge under common ownership. Application was continued indefinitely.

V. LEGISLATION

Ordinances The following ordinances were adopted in 2006:

- In February 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 01-2006 amending the Zoning Map to expand the C-2 Commercial District to include two parcels classified as R-4 residential.
- In February 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 02-2006 amending the Official Map of East Bradford Township.
- In March 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 03-2006 authorizing entrance into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement establishing the Brandywine Valley Scenic Byways Commission with the following municipalities: Birmingham, East Marlborough, Kennett, Pennsbury, Pocopson, and Chadds Ford. This commission was formed to govern, manage, implement, oversee, operate, and administer the Brandywine Valley Scenic Byway.
- In March 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 04-2006 amending the Vehicles and Traffic Chapter of the Code to ordain revisions to existing regulation locations, add new regulation locations, and other miscellaneous rules and regulations.
- In May 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 05-2006 to adopt an updated Township Recreational Lands and Facilities Map, which is a component of the 1993 Open Space, Recreation, and Environmental Resources Plan.
- In September 2006, the Supervisors adopted Ordinance 06-2006 approving a Cable Franchise Agreement between East Bradford Township and Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc. (for a term of 10 years with an automatic renewal of 5 years unless the Franchise is revoked earlier).
- In October 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 07-2006 to adopt new floodplain regulations, as required by FEMA.
- Throughout 2006, the Township worked to address comments received during the Comprehensive Code Update hearing in November 2005. In December 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 08-2006 containing amendments to Chapter 115 (Zoning), Chapter 95 (Subdivision and Land Development), Chapter 73 (Nuisance), and Chapter 76 (Open Burning). This amendment addressed all minor comments received during the 2005 Comprehensive Plan hearing.

Resolutions The following resolutions were adopted in 2006:

- In January 2006, the Supervisors adopted Resolution 1-2006 describing the service providers and response boundaries for the Township.
- In August 2006, the Board adopted Resolution OS-1-2006 to authorize the filing of an application for Chester County Landscapes 21st Century Fund Grant Program for funding for a conservation easement on a property located on Harmony Hill and Skelp Level Roads.

- In December 2006, the Supervisors adopted Resolution PEMA 1-2006 to authorize Township staff to prepare and submit a grant application for a PEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant on behalf of resident(s) of River Bend Lane.
- In January 2006, the Supervisors adopted Resolution 2-2006 revising the Township Fee Schedule.
- In September 2006, the Board adopted Resolution OS-2-2006 to authorize the purchase of the Calhoun property located at 690 North Creek Road. The property is .61 acres and is located between two Township-owned properties. The purchase price was \$250,000.
- In April 2006, the Supervisors adopted a DEP Resolution for the Baldwin Planning Modules (SD #564).
- In July 2006, the Board adopted Resolution 3-2006 to support a “plug-in campaign.”
- In September 2006, the Board adopted Resolution OS-3-2006 to authorize the purchase of a conservation easement over 8.4 acres of the Schauer property located at 275 South Creek Road. The property is located across from the Township’s Shaw’s Bridge Park. The cost of the easement was \$432,000. The Natural Lands Trust will hold and manage the conservation easement.
- In September 2006, the Board adopted Resolution 4-2006 revising the Township Fee Schedule.
- In November 2006, the Supervisors adopted Resolution OS-4-2006 authorizing the purchase of a conservation easement over a 14.2-acre property owned by Thomas and Patricia Lechmanik. The cost of the easement was \$519,650. The Natural Lands Trust will hold and manage the conservation easement.
- In September 2006, the Supervisors adopted Resolution 5-2006 authorizing the re-adoption of the East Bradford Township Agricultural Security Area (ASA), as revised, pursuant to the Agricultural Security Law and consistent with the mandated 7-Year Review.
- In December 2006, the Supervisors adopted Resolution OS-5-2006 to purchase a conservation easement on a 16.1-acre property owned by Graham Andres. The property is located at 1155 Harmony Hill Road. The purchase price is \$365,000. The easement will be held by the Natural Lands Trust.

VI. ENGINEERING

- The Township continued to address MS-4 program requirements.
- The Township took a closer look at legacy sediments and stream restoration. During the 18th and 19th centuries, there were hundreds of mills operating along Pennsylvania waterways. These mills forced water to slow down, which caused a build up of sediments (“legacy sediments”). Legacy sediments alter the geomorphology and hydrology of the valley bottom, producing an array of problems for the streams

themselves and the communities through which they flow. Such problems include increased sediment yields, high nutrient contents, bank erosion, debris jams, habitat instability, and flash floods. In order to address these problems, new research suggests that the stream must be restored to its original pre-settlement valley floor. The Township is considering this restoration method for some of its waterways. Township Codes also may be revised to accommodate this restoration process.



VII. BUILDING & ENFORCEMENT

- A summary of building permit activity in 2006 is provided below:

	TOTAL NUMBERS	COST OF CONSTRUCTION	COST OF PERMITS	PRIVATE SEWAGE	PUBLIC SEWAGE	HIGHWAY FUND
SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED	6	\$2,246,920	\$10,528	\$0	\$0	\$0
SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MULTI-FAMILY	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
COMMERCIAL	1	\$29,070	\$660	\$0	\$0	\$0
SPRINKLERS	3	\$192,950	\$3,265	\$0	\$0	\$0
ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS- RESIDENTIAL	56	\$2,582,220	\$22,790	\$0	\$0	\$0
POOLS	12	\$600,553	\$9,642	\$0	\$0	\$0
GARAGES	3	\$134,500	\$999	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHERS-DECKS	28	\$311,768	\$3,798	\$0	\$0	\$0
ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS- COMMERCIAL	1	\$25,000	\$580	\$0	\$0	\$0
RETAINING WALLS	1	\$80,000	\$2,075	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONST. TRAILERS	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
DEMOLITION	7	\$47,000	\$1,550			
ACCESSORY	16	\$289,184	\$1,576	\$0	\$0	\$0
HAVC	1	\$45,741	\$828			
ACCESSORY- COMMERCIAL	2	\$244,270	\$2,025			
TOTALS	137	\$6,829,176	\$60,316	\$0	\$0	\$0

VIII. PARKS, OPEN SPACE & TRAILS

- In March 2005, the Township purchased a 238-acre property from Sonoco Products Company. The property is located between the Brandywine River and Skelp Level Road. The Supervisors authorized a trails study on the property to examine the feasibility of developing a multi-use trail network on the site. Phase I of the study was completed in August 2006. Phase II continued into 2007.
- In the fall of 2005, the Township began to consider a concept plan for the Township-owned land on Sconnelltown Road. The plans included a walking trail, gravel parking area, and an informal field area. Design work for this property continued into 2006
- In October 2005, the Supervisors authorized the purchase of prefabricated dugouts for East Bradford Park. The dugouts were installed in spring of 2006.
- East and West Bradford Township acquired a Transportation Enhancement Grant to construct a multi-purpose trail from the covered bridge at Harmony Hill Road to the Trestle Bridge in West Bradford Township. In January 2005 the Supervisors agreed to proceed with the preliminary engineering phase of the project. In March 2006, the Board proceeded with the bridge re-design. The project entered into the final engineering stage in the fall.
- In April 2006, the Township expanded the network of trails located between Valley Creek Road, Ravine Road, and Brandywine Road. The new section provides access to the homes on Briarwood Circle and Briarwood Court. Hiking and horseback riding are permitted on this new segment.
- In September, the Township purchased the Calhoun property located at 690 North Creek Road. The property is .61 acres and is located between two Township-owned properties. The purchase price for the property was \$250,000. The house was demolished in the fall. The Township plans to relocate the Ingram's Mill parking area and picnic table to this property. A trail through the Ingram's Mill property also is planned.
- In September, the Township purchased an 8.4-acre conservation easement over a portion of the Schauer property located at 275 South Creek Road. The purchase price for the easement was \$432,000. The Natural Lands Trust will hold and manage the easement.
- Brandywine Trail forum – Brandywine Conservancy was the leader in the creation of a multi-municipal initiative to provide a forum to discuss trails development and connectivity along the Brandywine River corridor. In September, the Supervisors agreed to participate in the forum because the forum would give the Township a voice and provide a broader perspective.
- In December 2006, the Township purchased a conservation easement on a 16.1-acre property owned by Graham Andres. The property is located at 1155 Harmony Hill Road. The purchase price is \$365,000. The easement will be held by the Natural Lands Trust.

IX. ROADS & PUBLIC WORKS

- PennDOT began the process to rehabilitate the Copes Bridge in the fall of 2004; this process continued throughout 2006. The project is intended to strengthen and stabilize the bridge and increase the level of safety for the traveling public. The bridge was initially constructed in 1807 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, as well as PennDOT's historic bridge survey.
- The Township implemented two traffic calming measures – double-thick thermoplastic transverse pavement markings on Sunset Hollow Road and temporary speed tables on Highland Road. Both improvements are intended to reduce the speed of traffic on these roads.
- Throughout 2006, the Township considered improvements to the public works facility. Discussion continued into 2007.



X. MUNICIPAL SERVICES

- In October, the Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to award the roadside litter collection bid to Green Start, Inc. for 2007 with two 1-year options to renew for 2008 and 2009.
- A new Emergency Management Plan was adopted in 2006.
- In cooperation with Chester County Emergency Services, the Township initiated its first reverse 911 call to residents in locations prone to flooding along the Brandywine River. This call allows a public agency to directly contact identified residents and property owners to provide timely information about emergency preparedness and severe weather conditions.

XI. 2006 BUDGET

The East Bradford Township Board of Supervisors approved the 2006 Budget Package at its December 13, 2005 meeting. The 2006 Budget actually consists of six (6) distinct budgets – General, Sewer, Highway, Liquid Fuels, Capital, and Open Space. The General Fund Budget represents the primary Township budget while the other budgets serve more specific or proprietary purposes. A summary of the 2006 General Fund Budget is provided below:

BUDGETED REVENUES		BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	
Taxes	\$2,233,453	General Government	\$569,921
Licenses & Permits	\$125,000	Public Safety & Health	\$1,341,899
Fines & Forfeits	\$28,000	Public Works	\$458,055
Interest	\$30,000	Parks, Recreation & Culture	\$68,150
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$160,512	Debt Service & Capital Reserve	\$25,000
General Government/Public Safety	\$310,050	Insurance, Benefits, Pension	\$419,026
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$8,090	Total Expenditures	\$2,882,051
Total Revenues	\$2,895,105		

- The **General Fund** represents the principal operating fund for the Township (police and fire, parks and recreation, planning/zoning, codes enforcement/engineering, legal, administration). The 2006 General Fund Budget includes increased expenses for additional police patrol and dispatch services, roadside litter control service, a 3.8% employee uniform wage increase (with no change in the current staffing level), and a base contribution to the Capital Reserve Fund. It is a balanced budget. Once again, there is no increase to the general tax.
- The **Sewer Fund** is a utility fund established to provide public sewer service to over 1,100 customers in the Township through an inter-municipal agreement with the Borough of West Chester. The Sewer Fund presently includes capital expenditures (expensed against fund equity) which should to be considered (and subtracted) before assessing annual fund performance. There are no increases in the 2006 sewer user fees and sewer connection fees have decreased.
- The **Highway Improvement Fund** is a proprietary fund established for design and construction of road improvements in the Township. The Highway Improvement Fund functions generally as a capital improvement and contingency fund for roads and related infrastructure. Revenues are derived from developers' contributions.
- Receipts for the **State Liquid Fuels Fund** are provided by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from (gas) tax disbursed annually to all municipalities. The receipts are based upon Township road miles and population. Use of the fund is limited to road maintenance/reconstruction and related equipments purchases.
- The **Open Space Fund**, established in 1999, is funded from the open space preservation tax (1/4 of 1% on earned income). Expenditures are restricted to acquisition of interests in real property and costs associated with these activities. The Open Space Fund represents the only source of Township debt at this time.
- Finally, the **Capital Reserve Fund** is comprised of appropriated monies that are used for capital projects, major equipment purchase/replacements, etc. This fund serves a complementary function to the General Fund together with the Five Year Capital Reserve Schedule for longer term planning. For 2006, funds are budgeted in particular for improvements to the Public Works Garage.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS

- State Senator Robert J. Thompson, who represented the 19th District including parts of Chester and Montgomery counties, passed away on January 28, 2006 at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania as a result of complications from pulmonary fibrosis. Senator Thompson was 68 years old.
- July 18 brought a violent storm through the Delaware Valley Area. The storm packed near-hurricane force winds and damaging downdrafts. By the time the storm passed, more than 365,000 PECO customers were left without service making it one of the ten most damaging storms in the company's history. The Township successfully secured one shipment of dry ice on July 20. By July 21 some homes were still out of power, so Township representatives went door-to-door in communities without power to check on residents. In August, the Supervisors and staff met with representatives from the Chester County Department of Emergency Services, PECO Energy, and the West Chester Police Department to discuss how to improve on the emergency responses in power outages in the future.
- In September 2006, the Supervisors approved a Cable Franchise Agreement between East Bradford Township and Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc. (for a term of 10 years with an automatic renewal of 5 years unless the Franchise is earlier revoked as provided in the Agreement).
- Throughout 2006, the Township completed its seven-year review of its Agricultural Security Area (ASA). (Act 43 of June 30, 1981, P.L. 128, 3 P.S. §§ 901-915 (the State's Agricultural Security Area Law) mandates that Townships with Agricultural Security Areas must review and readopt the areas every seven years.) Several modification requests were received. In September, the Supervisors adopted the revised ASA. Four properties were added to the district (totaling over 235 acres and including a Birmingham Township property); one property was removed from the district (totaling approximately 8 acres). The total ASA consists of 60 properties totaling over 1,985 acres.
- East Bradford Day 2006 was held on the lovely grounds of Natural Lands Trust's Stroud Preserve on Saturday, September 30. The theme was "Conserving our Environmental Heritage" and there were exhibits about solar and wind energy, recycling, land conservation, and hybrid and bio diesel cars. Children especially enjoyed the live bee display by the Chester County Beekeepers and face painting and crafts by the Paradise Farm Camps. Other exhibits/activities included antique cars, canoeing on Brandywine Creek, horse-drawn carriage rides, painting demonstrations, and fishing. Hay wagons escorted those interested to a historical talk at a nearby 1724 home and to the Preserve's "Serpentine Barrens" describing how fire is used to manage an ecosystem.

In the courtyard of the 1890's Thomas Worth Barn in the center of the Preserve, local artists displayed their artwork and craftsmanship. Barbara Johnson featured this stone barn in her limited edition print. Money from the sale of this print will go towards an art scholarship for an East Bradford Township high school senior planning to major in art.

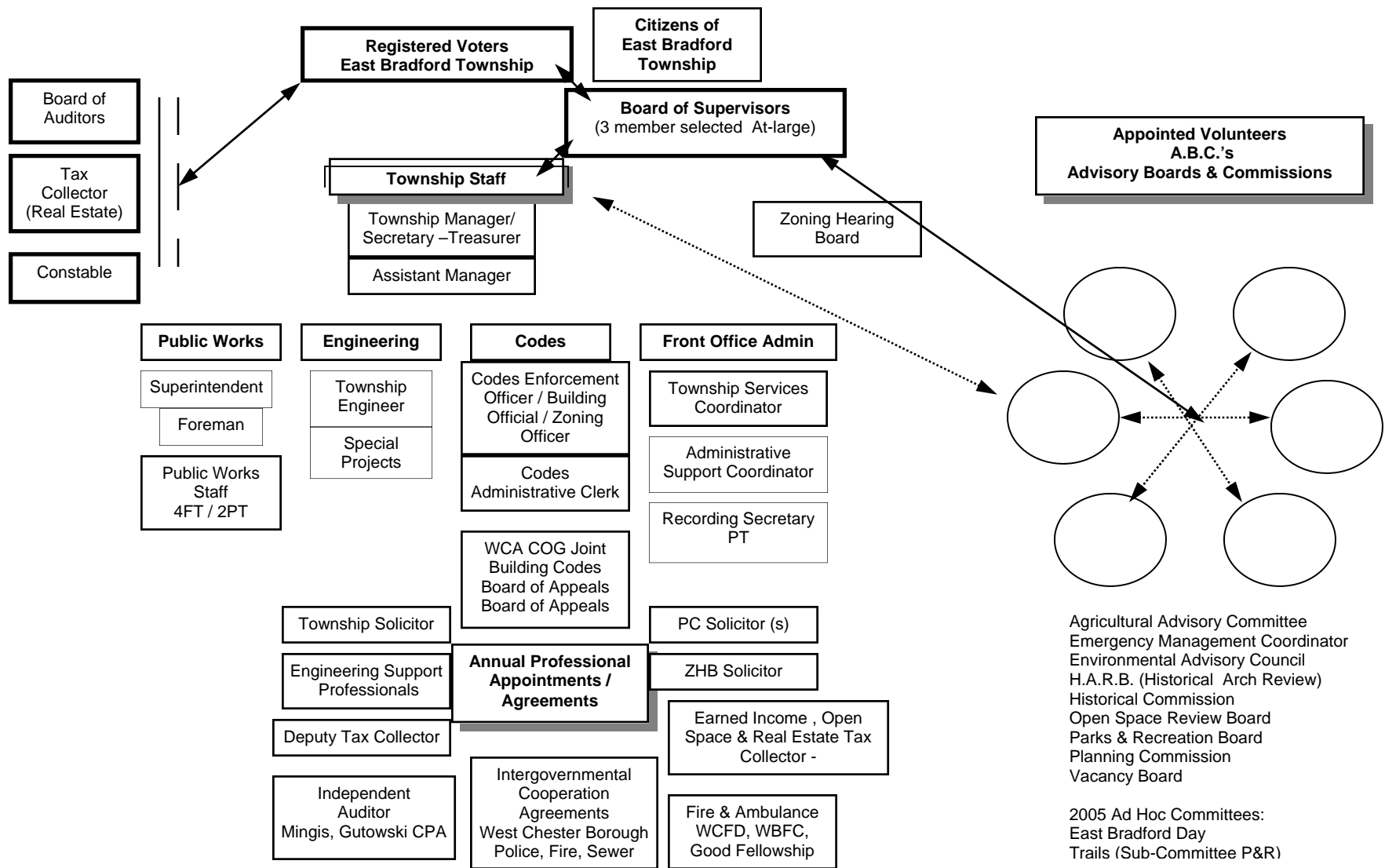


Also in the courtyard were fiddlers, delicious hot sandwiches sold by Giunta's and subsidized by the Township, complimentary cake celebrating the township's 275th anniversary and popcorn, Polish water ice, Herr's snacks, and soft pretzels for a small fee.

Although the weather was overcast and a little chilly, it did not prevent those who attended from enjoying the exhibits and activities offered at East Bradford

Day at the beautiful Stroud Preserve. An estimated 600 residents and friends of East Bradford Township attended the Second Annual East Bradford Day event.

TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATIONAL CHART – 2006



The Board of Supervisors, at its Organization in January, appoints citizen volunteers to the boards and commissions and professional staff including Manager, Treasurer, Secretary, Codes Enforcement Officer, Zoning Officer, Deputy Tax Collector, Public Works Superintendent, Engineer and Solicitors and other professional support consultants. There is no hierarchy among the A.B.C.'s; these bodies routinely coordinate but report to and advise the Board of Supervisors.

- East Bradford Township Member:**
- West Chester Area Council of Governments
 - West Chester Regional Planning Commission
 - PA State Assoc. Twp. Officials (PSATS)
 - International Codes Council (frmlly BOCA)
 - Brandywine Valley Association
 - Brandywine Conservancy
 - Natural Lands Trust
 - West Chester Fish, Game & Wildlife Assoc