Friday, January 20, 2017

Update for Residents from the Pipeline Committee of Lambertville City

Happy New Year! On behalf of our city committee, I would like to thank all of the residents who were able to register as intervenors and file comments despite the tight timeline in early December. We would like to update you on our activities. Since early December,

- We filed detailed comments to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) raising concerns about PennEast's Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). You can find the committee's comments on the Lambertville City Facebook page.
- We met with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to share our concerns, learn about the permitting process and find out ways to continue to advocate for our city. As you may have seen in the news recently, NJDEP has issued <u>strong statements</u> about the project.
- We coordinated with the New Jersey League of Municipalities to contact the
 Department of Transportation (DOT) raising the issue of whether the truck ban on our
 city's main roads extends to the proposed heavy haul traffic routes for construction of
 the pipeline.
- We attended meetings of other local groups, including HALT PennEast, to gain
 information for our city and plan future coordination. You can learn more about the
 landowners' fight by visiting their <u>website</u> and attending their <u>monthly meetings</u>. The
 next meeting is January 25 at 7:30 PM at the Prallsville Mill in Stockton, NJ with special
 speaker Anne Marie Garti, a lawyer with extensive experience in fighting the
 Constitution Pipeline currently stopped at the New York border.
- We welcomed two new Lambertville residents to our committee, including David Fournier, operations manager at Suez Water and Meagan Warner, college student/ intern to Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Coleman.

Help us get the word out about the threats of the PennEast Pipeline to your friends and family by discussing the issue and sharing relevant news articles with them. Also, continue to check out the Lambertville City Facebook page and website. Our city committee meetings are open to the public and advertised on the Lambertville City webpage, where you can access the agendas and minutes. The City Council is planning its next public meeting dedicated solely to the PennEast Pipeline for the Spring and will circulate the date as soon as it is confirmed.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns!

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