

Upper Milford Township  
Board of Supervisors  
Township Building, Old Zionsville, PA 18068  
December 29, 2011 at 7:30 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisors; Steve Ackerman, Dan Mohr, Rob Sentner, Manager; Dan DeLong, Solicitor; Marc Fisher, and Secretary/Treasurer; Joni McPike.

Meeting called to order at 7:44 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Supervisor Ackerman informed the audience that this meeting is being recorded principally to aid in the preparation of Minutes and for such other purposes as the Board sees fit. For that reason, each person wanting to give any comments during this meeting, please state his or her name and address for the record, and address your comments to the Board of Supervisors.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

**Mr. John Nally, Pennsylvania Office of Administration Public Safety Radio Services;**

Mr. Nally commented on the proposal to request to install a 140 Mono Pole on Township property, and to be used by the State Police, Penn Dot, and 22 other agencies. No commercial use, it will cover public safety, the Township and areas outside of the Township. The Township's two-way radio system can be installed for better coverage. Charles Peters – 5633 Chestnut Street; asked if this proposal meets with the Township Zoning in regards to the height? and the distance required from the property line? Manager DeLong stated that the Township is exempt from Zoning and further explained why, and in the Township's case for property line distance, the Township has no requirement to set it any further away from the property line other than an accessory structure, which is 50 feet, and we are greater than 50 feet. Valentin Stana – 5722 Kings Highway So.; expressed his concerns about the tax payer's money involved about putting up this pole, and his property values. George DeVault – 3502 Main Road East; suggested having a blinking light set upon the pole for better vision for Public Safety and Emergency Services. Mr. Nally stated that FCC regulations do not require a beacon light for this installation. Mr. Nally stated they would start construction for this project next March or April of 2012. The Township will be allowed to put our equipment in the cabinet and on the antenna to strengthen our communication system. Additional discussion was held about a generator and if the Township building can be hooked up to it in case of power outages. Supervisor Sentner instructed Township staff to put together information about a generator that we will use since the offer is there, and asked about fencing around the pole. Mr. Nally stated if the Township wants a fence surrounding the pole they will put one up.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** - None

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

December 1, 2011, Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes.  
December 14, 2011, Special Regular Meeting Minutes.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to approve December 1, 2011 Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes, and December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Special Regular Meeting Minutes. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

**GENERAL FUND:**

Check No. 11575 to 11602 in the amount of \$31,943.22

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to approve the payment of the bills as submitted.  
Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **2012 Budget** – Adoption

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to adopt the 2012 budget as submitted.  
Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

2. **Resolution No. 2011 – 030** – Real Property Tax Rates for 2012

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-030 as submitted.  
Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

3. **Approving Amendment No. 8** to the Upper Milford Township Employees Pension Plan which freezes participation in the plan as of January 1, 2011.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to approve Amendment No. 8. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

4. **Approving Amendment No. 9** to the Upper Milford Township Employees Pension Plan which limits an employee's option to take a lump sum retirement benefit dependent on the plan funding ratio.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to approve Amendment No. 9. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** - None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Resolution No. 2011-031** – Authorizing certain operating expenditure disbursements prior to official Board Approval;

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-031 as submitted.  
Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

2. **Resolution No. 2011-032** – Establishing the Upper Milford Township Non-Uniformed Employees Defined Contribution Pension Plan;

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-032 as submitted.  
Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

3. **Resolution No. 2011-033** – First Niagara Financial Group Authorized Signers;

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-033 as submitted.  
Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

3. **Resolution No. 2011-034** – PA ECMS Business Partner Designation of Agent:

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-034 as submitted.  
Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

4. **Resolution No. 2011-035** – PA Public Radio Services Site Use License Agreement;

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Ackerman made the motion to table Resolution No. 2011-035. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

5. **Re-organization Meeting** (discussion)

Supervisor Ackerman recused himself from discussion. Manager DeLong stated that we have an Auditor position Vacancy. He spoke with Virginia Prescott, and she would be willing to fulfill the vacancy and be appointed for the two year term until such time an election will be held to find a replacement Auditor. Her appointment will be considered at the Re-organization Meeting.

**DEP MODULES / SEWAGE PLANNING:** - None

**PLANNING COMMISSION – OLD BUSINESS:** - None

**PLANNING COMMISSION – NEW BUSINESS:** - None

**SUBDIVISIONS – IMPROVEMENTS:** - None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** - None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Board of Supervisors went into executive session from 8:10 P.M. till 8:17 P.M. to discuss Personnel issues.

**OTHER ISSUES:** - None

**REPORTS:**

Supervisors:

**Steve Ackerman-** Thanked Mr. Sentner, Mr. Mohr, Solicitor Fisher, Manager DeLong, and Township Staff for the great work done within the Township. He will still attend the meetings and be a resource to the New Board member and Board of Supervisors as they see fit.

**Robert Sentner** – Thanked Supervisor Ackerman for his six years of service to the Community and looks forward to working with him as the Public Works Coordinator.

**Daniel Mohr** – Also expressed his Thanks to Supervisor Ackerman for his service to the Community, and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Township Manager:  
**Dan DeLong** – No report.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:20 PM.

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Daniel J. Mohr, Vice Chairman

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Date Approved

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Joni D. McPike, Secretary / Treasurer

Attest: