

UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TOWNSHIP BUILDING, OLD ZIONSVILLE, PA 18068
MARCH 17, 2016 AT 7:30 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Supervisors; George DeVault, Daniel Mohr, Robert Sentner; Township Manager, Daniel DeLong; Planning Coordinator, Brian Miller; Asst. Township Manager, Timothy Haas; Solicitor, Marc Fisher

Meeting called to order at 7:32 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This meeting is being recorded to aid in the preparation of minutes and for such other purposes as the Board sees fit. For that reason, will each person wanting to give any comments during this meeting, please state your name for the record and address the Board of Supervisors.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

March 3, 2016 Workshop & Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOTION:

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to approve the March 3, 2016 Workshop & Regular meeting minutes. Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS:

GENERAL FUND:

PLGIT XXXX7096 – Check No's. **15440** to **15472** in the amount of **\$35,909.33**

PAYROLL FUND:

PLGIT XXXX7015 – Check No. **7330** in the amount of **\$96.56**

STREETLIGHT FUND:

PLGIT XXXX7125 – Check No's. **1269** to **1270** in the amount of **\$2,425.59**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BANK TRANSFERS:

Transfer No's. 2016-017 to 2016-020

MOTION:

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to pay the bills as read and acknowledge the bank transfers. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1.) Park Caretaker and Part-Time Employee.

a. Memo from Manager, Daniel DeLong, dated March 16, 2016.

Supervisor Sentner asked if Dakota DeLong would be allowed to respond to fire calls while working for the Township part-time.

Manager DeLong replied that the Township's policy allows for staff to respond to a fire call. It will not be an issue for Dakota DeLong to respond to fire calls.

MOTION:

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to employ Dakota DeLong per Dan's letter (dated March 16, 2016). Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

2.) Acknowledgement of Joyce Moore to the Open Space Committee.

a. Memo from Asst. Manager, Timothy Haas, dated March 16, 2016.

MOTION:

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to appoint Joyce Moore to the Open Space Committee per Resolution No. 07-27. Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

3.) Open Space Committee support of Open Space Referendum.

a. Memo from Asst. Manager, Timothy Haas, dated March 16, 2016.

4.) Open Space Discussion Workshop with Local Farmers (Discussion).

Supervisor Sentner believes it would be beneficial to the pending Open Space Referendum for the Board to talk with the local farmers and farm land property owners and get a broad idea from them of what would be necessary for them to support an Open Space program.

Supervisor DeVault expressed that it would be a good idea. He mentioned that there are so many different types of farming each having its own set of obstacles, so it will be beneficial to hear their input.

The Board authorized staff to organize a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to meet with local farmers and farm land property owners to discuss the financial input for supporting land preservation.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Fisher indicated no report.

DEP MODULES / SEWAGE PLANNING: None

PLANNING COMMISSION – OLD BUSINESS: None

PLANNING COMMISSION – NEW BUSINESS: None

SUBDIVISIONS – IMPROVEMENTS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

OTHER ISSUES: None

REPORTS:

Emmaus Library: Lisa Marten reported that there were recent programs with very good turnouts. A program was to celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday and another program was an author book launch with David Lubar. There will be an upcoming used book sale held at Lower Macungie Middle School on April 23, 2016.

Township Emergency Management Coordinator, Bill Stahler: None

Fire Departments: Citizen's Fire Company Chief, Joseph Sherman announced that four (4) firefighters from Citizen's Fire Company will be attending an upcoming wildlands firefighter training.

Recreation Commission: None

Fire Company Steering Committee:

- 1.) Report from Assistant Manager, Timothy Haas.

Assistant Manager, Haas summarized the March 14 meeting of the Fire Company Steering Committee for the Board. Highlighted topics were: House Bill 1683, upcoming fire company community events and training events, preemption update, NIXLE, and the committee's desire to have a structure for itself so it can be an official recommending body.

Supervisors:

Robert Sentner – None

Daniel Mohr – The Vera Cruz Association's Easter egg hunt will be held at Mystic Chain Park on March 26, starting at 1 PM. He also shared a story about the replacement of the American flag by the monument at the Vera Cruz School. He publically thanked whomever it was that replaced the American flag.

George DeVault – Read a letter of gratitude towards the Public Works Department from resident and Emmaus Ambulance Corps Chief, Jeff Hoffman.

Township Manager:

Dan DeLong – None

Asst. Township Manager:

Timothy Haas – Publically thanked the Macungie Ambulance Corps for training Township staff in CPR as well as providing an AED to the Township and training Township staff on how to operate it.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:54 P.M.

George D. DeVault, Chairman

Date

Timothy A. Haas, Asst. Twp. Manager/Secretary