Upper Milford Township Board of Supervisors Township Building, Old Zionsville, PA 18068 September 4th, 2025, 7pm

September 4th, 2025, <u>7pm</u> REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Public Packet

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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PUBLIC INPUT:

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Approval of August 21st, 2025, regular meeting minutes.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS:

GENERAL FUND:

PLGIT XXXX7209 - Check No's. 1277 to 1316 in the amount of \$58,379.03

STREET LIGHT FUND:

PLGIT XXXX7125 - Check No. 1420 in the amount of \$2,880.45

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BANK TRANSFERS:

No Bank Transfers

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) Resolution 2025-034 Kline's Island Sewer
- 2.) Western District Fire Company Request for State LSA Grant Application
- 3.) Defined Benefit and Defined Contribution Plans MMOs for 2026
- 4.) Resolution 2025-035 Northampton/Lehigh Local Share Grant for Nozzles and Connectors for Citizen's Fire
- 5.) Wieand Well Distance Waiver
 - a. Letter from SEO Brian Miller
- 6.) Appoint Wayne King to the Pension Committee

DEP MODULES / SEWAGE PLANNING: - None

PLANNING COMMISSION - OLD BUSINESS: - None

PLANNING COMMISSION - NEW BUSINESS: None

SUBDIVISIONS – IMPROVEMENTS:

- 1.) Credit Release No. 5 Twin Run Development in the amount of \$467,152.81
 - a. Letter from Township Engineer Jeffery Ott
- 2.) Credit Release No. 11 Jasper Ridge Development in the amount of \$101,356.56
 - a. Letter from Township Engineer Jeffery Ott

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1.) Bally Request for special Fire Police for parade on 10/20 at 7pm
 - a. Letter from Bally Borough Secretary, Tammy Wood
- 2.) Light the Night Safe Zone Block Party Request
 - a. Letter from Upper Milford Mennonite Church, Amanda Ritter

OTHER ISSUES: - None

REPORTS:

Emergency Services Committee Report:

Township Emergency Management Coordinator: N/A

Emergency Services Call Report: No Report

Fire Companies:

Emmaus Library:

Recreation Commission:

Township Manager:

Bud Carter -

Supervisors:

Angela Ashbrook -

John D. Zgura -

Daniel J. Mohr -

EXECUTIVE SESSION: - If needed

ADJOURNMENT:

AGENDA PART II:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (NO ACTION ANTICIPATED):

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Morrissey Property Concerns
- 2. Open Space Update
- 3. Recreation Plan Update
- 4. Krause Property Concerns

END AGENDA PART II:

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ATTENDANCE: Supervisors: Angela Ashbrook, John Zgura; Manager, Edward Carter; Solicitor Marc Fisher; Planning Coordinator, Brian Miller; Secretary/Treasurer, Jessi O'Donald Absent: Daniel Mohr,

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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PUBLIC INPUT:

Paul Ulincy – 6561 Ridge Rd Extension – Expressed concerns over storm water. Paul handed out a page of photographs of storm water from the last heavy rains. He explained that the water is a lot in his yard, but it should be going into the creek. He explained the solutions that the Township has tried over the years and those suggested by others. He knows at some point he will see flooding as he lives next to the stream but on heavy rain, he felt there is a better solution for the water than into his yard and hopes that Township staff can meet with him. Supervisor Zgura asked how long this has been a problem. Mr. Ulicny stated as long as the road had been paved, which was 4 years after he moved in. He stated that out of respect for Mr. Batman he waited to discuss the concerns at a meeting since Mr. Batman didn't want to have any of the solutions that would have involved the Batman property.

Staff will meet with Mr. Ulicny to see what might be able to be done.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Approval of August 7th, 2025, regular meeting minutes.

<u>MOTION:</u> <u>Supervisor Zgura made a motion</u> to approve the minutes as presented. <u>Supervisor Ashbrook seconded the motion</u>. Hearing no questions or comments, both were in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS:

GENERAL FUND:

PLGIT XXXX7209 - Check No's. 1252 to 1276 in the amount of \$65,801.83

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BANK TRANSFERS:

Transfer No's, 2025-045 to 2025-051

<u>MOTION:</u> <u>Supervisor Zgura made a motion</u> to pay the bills as read and acknowledge the bank transfers. <u>Supervisor Ashbrook seconded the motion.</u> Hearing no questions or comments, all were in favor, motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1.) Dillingersville Rd Preservation Over County Cap Cost Request

a. Letter from Planning Coordinator Brian Miller

Letter from Brian Miller, "I was contacted by Donna Wright of the Lehigh County Agricultural Preservation Office asking if Upper Milford Township would be willing to partner on an over the cap portion of an agricultural land preservation in Upper Milford Township. The property is located off Dillingersville Road and is depicted in the attached Lehigh County Assessment mapping. The overall property area for preservation is split by the municipal line and contains approximately 76 acres, with 13.815 acres being in Upper Milford Township.

The County appraised easement value per acre was \$5,610.00. The applicant opted to get a second appraisal which valued the easement at \$13,000.00 per acre. In this case the County will average the two appraisals and agree to pay up to the \$6,000.00 maximum per acre for the easement. The average for the two easement appraisals was \$9,305.00 and the County asked if we would be willing to pay the over the cap amount of \$3,305.00 per acre for the portion in Upper Milford Township? That would be a total of approximately \$45,609.00 from Upper Milford Township and \$82,800 from Lehigh County for the 13.8 acres.

I gave all the information to the Open Space Committee and at their meeting on August 13th, 2025, they reviewed and discussed the property involved in the above mentioned preservation, they noted items such as there being less than 20% of the 13.8 acres currently in ag use, wet soils were present on the property & that there was a small stream that crossed the property. The Open Space Committee made a motion to recommend that the Township not pay the over the cap fee for this preservation."

Supervisor Zgura stated that he was at the meeting where this was discussed and understood the points of the Open Space Committee members but feels that the Township should have a stake in the preservation. He did some calculations and would like to offer roughly 1/3 of the request at \$1,100.00 per acre for the 13.82+- acres within Upper Milford Township. He felt this just gives another easement holder on the preservation and with the amount of land at stake will give another voice to the discussion years in the future if someone requests to take this out of preservation to develop the parcel.

<u>MOTION:</u> Supervisor Zgura made the motion to offer \$1,100.00 per acre within Upper Milford Township for preservation over the county cap amount to add Upper Milford as a secondary easement holder of parcel with PIN number 549279710756. Supervisor Ashbrook seconded the motion. Hearing no questions or comments, all were in favor, motion carried.

- 2.) Salem Bible Church Road Culvert Replacement Bid Award
 - a. Letter from Township engineer Jeffery Ott

We have reviewed the bids submitted for the Salem Bible Church Road Culvert Project received via PennBid. Based on our review of the bids, we recommend the Township Board of Supervisors award the contract to the low bidder, J. Phillips Excavating & Hauling, LLC for the Total Bid Amount of \$253,542.00. Award of the contract shall be conditioned upon the following being submitted on or before September 12, 2025: 1. Fully executed Contract Documents including Performance Bond,

Payment Bond, Maintenance Bond and Certificate of Insurance, all in accordance with the contract documents. 2. Any additional documents as may be required by the Township Solicitor and/or Township Board of Supervisors.

Colt Hershinger asked why it was so expensive. Manager Carter explained that it was a precast box culvert that will be set in place. Supervisor Zgura stated that the cost of the precast unit alone was over \$40,000.00. Supervisor Ashbrook explained that this bid was the lowest by quite a bit.

<u>MOTION:</u> <u>Supervisor Zgura made a motion</u> to award the bid to J. Phillips Excavating & Hauling LLC for \$253,542.00 per letter from Township Engineer Jeffery Ott dated August 20th, 2025. <u>Supervisor Ashbrook seconded the motion</u>. Hearing no further questions or comments, all were in favor, motion carried.

DEP MODULES / SEWAGE PLANNING: - None

PLANNING COMMISSION - OLD BUSINESS: - None

PLANNING COMMISSION - NEW BUSINESS: - None

SUBDIVISIONS – IMPROVEMENTS: - None

CORRESPONDENCE: - None

OTHER ISSUES: - None

REPORTS:

Emergency Services Committee Report: No Report

Township Emergency Management Coordinator: N/A

Emergency Services Call Report: Report on website

<u>Fire Companies:</u> No Report Emmaus <u>Library:</u> No Report

Recreation Commission: Lauren Haponski reported that the Recreation Committee met at Arrowhead Park on Monday. There were three items to report. 1. that Jasper Day will be put on the calendar again for 2026. 2. Registration is up for UMYA and there is a concern with lack of playing fields. That UMYA reports that they must pay to play on fields outside of Upper Milford Township. 3. The discussion with the walk around of the park concluded that there needs to be more discussion on future amenities, additional benches, possible bocce ball court, shade structure.

Township Manager:

Bud Carter - No Report

Supervisors:

Angela Ashbrook – She asked Lauren Haponski if there was progress being made along Benjamin Court for the items that are being fixed. Lauren stated that the construction crew was pouring concrete and did finish some driveways/sidewalks. They have also been told that Benjamin Court will be paved by the end of September.

John D. Zgura – He hoped Dan recovered quickly from his procedure.

Daniel J. Mohr – Not present

Colt Hershinger asked about progress at Lenape Park. Manager Carter said the fence post installation will be this week and the landscaping. Colt then asked how the contractor will get equipment. Manager Carter stated that was Barker & Barker's concern.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pr	n.	
Chairman Daniel J. Mohr	<u>09/04/2025</u> Date	
Secretary Jessi O'Donald		

BOS Meeting AP Disbursements Report

September 4, 2025

Date	Num	Name	Paid Amount
100.02 · PLGIT (General Fund C	hecking 2.0	
09/04/2025	1277	Ackerman, Lyle	-40.0
09/04/2025	1278	American United Life Insurance Comp	-424.5
09/04/2025	1279	AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	-276.2
09/04/2025	1280	Bailey, Jared - AP	-40.0
09/04/2025	1281	Brown, David	-40.0
09/04/2025	1282	Campbell Radiator Service	-135.0
09/04/2025	1283	CHRIN HAULING, INC.	-312.6
09/04/2025	1284	Cooper Reporting	-861.7
09/04/2025	1285	Deer Country Farm & Lawn, Inc.	-77.7
09/04/2025	1286	Emmaus Ambulance Corp.	-1,000.0
09/04/2025	1287	H&K Group Inc	-623.1
09/04/2025	1288	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	-29.3
09/04/2025	1289	KEYCODE INSPECTION AGENCY	-4,141.2
09/04/2025	1290	Kuhns, Cynthia - AP	-40.0
09/04/2025	1291	Lagler Automotive Specialties	-100.0
09/04/2025	1292	Lagler, Todd - AP	-40.0
09/04/2025	1293	Linde Gas & Equipment Inc	-30.3
09/04/2025	1294	LONGLEY INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	-13,568.0
09/04/2025	1295	M.A. YEAKEL SONS, INC.	-3,398.0
09/04/2025	1296	Macungie Ambulance Corp.	-1,000.0
09/04/2025	1297	Marks, Lee -ap	-40.0
09/04/2025	1298	NAPA AUTO PARTS	-274.9
09/04/2025	1299	O'Donald, Jessi L - AP	-40.0
09/04/2025	1300	Ott Consulting Inc.	-25,469,4
09/04/2025	1301	PA ONE CALL SYS.	-44.2
09/04/2025	1302	PPL ELECTRIC UTILITIES	-599.7
09/04/2025	1303	RED HILL FORD (SANDS)	-292.0
09/04/2025	1304	Richter Total Office	-244.0
09/04/2025	1305	Sander Power Equipment Company	-360.4
09/04/2025	1306	Schmeltize, Robert C. Jr AP	-40.0
09/04/2025	1307	Sealmaster	-75.4
09/04/2025	1308	Suburban Propane	-717.4
09/04/2025	1309	Sunoco Universal	-765.8
09/04/2025	1310	TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES	-164.2
09/04/2025	1311	unifirst	-86.1
09/04/2025	1312	Verizon Wireless	-104.4
09/04/2025	1313	Walbert, Kyle - Ap	-40.0
09/04/2025	1314	Wehrung's Macungie LLC	-78.9
09/04/2025	1315	Zimmerman, Michelle (Hinkle)	-607.5
09/04/2025	1316	Gross McGinley LLP	-2,156.0
Total 100.02 · PL	GIT General Fur	nd Checking 2.0	-58,379.0
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UMT-STREET LIGHT FUND BOS Meeting AP Disbursement Report

September 4, 2025

Date	Num	Name	Paid Amount
100.01 · PLGIT - S 09/04/2025	treet Light Fund 1420	PPL ELECTRIC UTILITIES	-2,880.45
Total 100.01 · PLGIT - Street Light Fund Ckg			-2,880.45
TOTAL		•	-2,880.45