

UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TOWNSHIP BUILDING  
MAY 2, 2013 AT 7:30 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisors; Daniel Mohr, George DeVault, Robert Sentner;  
Manager, Daniel DeLong; Solicitor, Marc Fisher;  
Secretary/Treasurer, AnnaMarie Zeravsky

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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, will each person wanting to give any comments during this meeting, please state his or her name for the record and address the Board of Supervisors.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

Envision Lehigh Valley, Holly Edinger; Director, Sustainable Development; Lehigh Valley Economic Development

Holly Edinger gave a brief presentation about Envision Lehigh Valley. Envision Lehigh Valley is seeking public input regarding community goals. The public input will be used to develop five key plans and to develop policy recommendations. The five plans are: 1. Lehigh Valley Regional Affordable Housing Plan; 2. Regional Sustainable Economic Development Plan; 3. Jobs/Housing Balance Study; 4. Climate and Energy Conservation Plan; 5. Fresh Food Access Plan. There is a housing survey on [www.envisionlehighvalley.com](http://www.envisionlehighvalley.com). There is a virtual time hall meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013; the information can be found on their website as well. Supervisor Sentner stated that he doesn't feel we need more houses; he feels we need more roads. Based on all of the questions, Holly Edinger encouraged everyone to get involved with Lehigh Valley Planning Commission regarding the Transportation Plan for this region.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Emmaus/Upper Milford Joint EAC Report-

Bill Alhert, the Chairman of the Joint Emmaus and Upper Milford, Environmental Advisory Council briefly explained what the EAC does, such as the Earth Day Event. The Earth Day Event had about 250 people attend and helped to clean up the 2 communities. The EAC has a table, the first Sunday of every month, at the Emmaus Farmer's Market to give everyone the right tools and understanding so that educated decisions can be made. Mr. Alhert thanked the Board for their support. The EAC supports outreach programs, such as the South Mountain Program. The next meeting is scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Emmaus High School. He stated that the EAC meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month. Joyce Moore, of the EAC, mentioned that Manager Dan DeLong, also a member of the EAC, has been a great asset.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: -**

April 18, 2013 Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to approve all minutes. Supervisor DeVault seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

**GENERAL FUND:**

PLGIT XXXX7096 - Check No's. 12894 to 12928 in the amount of \$16,938.77

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BANK TRANSFER:**

Transfer # 2013-15

**MOTION:**

Supervisor DeVault made the motion to approve the payment of the bills as submitted and bank transfer 2013-15. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** - None

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** - None

**NEW BUSINESS:** -

1. Request to Advertise to Bid For Surface Treatment Projects for 2013

Manager DeLong stated that the staff is looking for authorization from the Board to bid for surface treatment for 2013 sealcoat and ultra thin friction course.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to advertise to bid for surface treatment projects for 2013. Supervisor DeVault seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

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

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

**PLANNING COMMISSION – NEW BUSINESS:** -

1. Planning Commission Election of Officers and Appointments

Supervisor Mohr read a letter from Planning Coordinator, Brian Miller stating that the Planning Commission held their Election of Officers. The Officers, as of May 1, 2013 will be: Chairman, Matt Hunter; Vice Chairperson, Joyce Brown; Secretary Phil Hartranft. The Planning Commission also recommended Angelika

Forn dran, Phill Hartranft, and Henry Kradjel for Reappointment. Their terms expired on April 30, 2013 and if reappointed would expire April 30, 2017.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor DeVault made the motion to approve the Election of Officers as Chairman, Matt Hunter; Vice Chairperson, Joyce Brown; Secretary Phil Hartranft and to approve the reappointment of Angelika Forn dran, Phill Hartranft, and Henry Kradjel, which will run though April 30, 2017. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

Supervisor Mohr thanked all Planning Commission members for their hard work.

2. Recommendation on the Southwestern Lehigh County Comprehensive Plan

Supervisor Mohr read a letter from Planning Coordinator, Brian Miller recommending that the Township remain a partner in the Southwestern Lehigh County Comprehensive Plan and move forward with the process of updating the Joint Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Commission also recommended ongoing quarterly meetings between the groups appointed municipal representatives.

**SUBDIVISIONS – IMPROVEMENTS:** - None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** - None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** – None

**OTHER ISSUES:** – None

**REPORTS:**

Township Emergency Management Coordinator:

**Bill Stahler** – Bill Stahler stated that the Emergency Operation Plan is still being worked on. Nina Johnson from the Red Cross will be at the next meeting to help give some insight on sheltering.

Recreation Commission:

**Barry Williams** – Barry Williams stated that the Recreation Commission took their Parks Tour. He mentioned that he would like to see the tennis courts, at Lenape Park, finally be repaired. He praised the Public Works Department for the major improvements at the dugouts at Lenape Park. He also wanted to thank Steve Ackerman for his hard work on the new fencing.

Supervisors:

**Daniel Mohr** – Supervisor Mohr mentioned that he recently went out to the PSATS convention in Hershey. He attended many good seminars. At one

seminar, he learned that flashover was, at one point, 10 minutes after the start of a fire but is now estimated to be 3 minutes after the start of a fire. He also learned about a foam product that is supposed to be more effective than water. He thought an Exit Poll was a good idea when Fire Fighters leave the Fire Company to determine why the volunteers are leaving. He feels that the PSATS Convention is a good thing to attend because it is very informational and he gets to speak to many other Supervisors.

**Robert Sentner** – Supervisor Sentner mentioned that there is money within the budget for a new sign out front of the municipal center. All supervisors agreed that they would like to start get that project started.

**George DeVault** – Supervisor DeVault mentioned that the Emmaus Farmers Market is scheduled to open on Sunday, May 5 and the Upper Milford Township Farmers Market is scheduled to open on Saturday, May 4.

Township Manager

**Daniel DeLong** – Manager DeLong announced that East Penn Student, Emma Ahlert, who serves as an intern for the EAC was in the audience and he wanted it to be known that she is very instrumental to the EAC.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:10 P.M.

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Daniel J. Mohr, Chairman

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AnnaMarie L. Zeravsky, Secretary/Treasurer