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**UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TOWNSHIP BUILDING, OLD ZIONSVILLE, PA 18068
MAY 3, 2012 AT 7:30 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE: Supervisors, Daniel Mohr, Robert Sentner, George DeVault; Manager, Daniel DeLong; Solicitor, Marc Fisher; Administrative Assistant, Cynthia Kuhns

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Supervisor Mohr announced that the 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 the meeting, please state his or her name for the record and address the Board of Supervisors.

PUBLIC INPUT: - None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

April 5, 2012 and April 19, 2012 Workshop & Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION:

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS:

GENERAL FUND:

PLGIT – Check No's. 12033 to 12061 in the amount of \$13,218.02

ESCROW FUND:

Wells Fargo – Check No's. 1098 to 1099 in the amount of 991.55

MOTION:

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

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OLD BUSINESS: - None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: - None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Sale of 1997 Cub Cadet Super Garden Tractor memo from Manager DeLong dated 5/1/2012

MOTION:

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to sell the 1997 Cub Cadet Super Garden Tractor. 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. Communication dated April 30, 2012 from Mr. Joseph Devine requesting withdrawal of his Land Development Plan for 4885 Raymond Court and a refund of his escrow balance.

MOTION:

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to accept the request to withdraw the Land Development and refund any escrow balance. Supervisor DeVault seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, Supervisor DeVault said that he was glad to see this Land Development Plan withdrawn because from a public safety standpoint that was a pretty scary plan, all were in favor, and the motion carried. Manager DeLong asked Solicitor Fisher if that was sufficient for the MPC requirement. Solicitor Fisher replied yes.

SUBDIVISION – IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Brookshire Major Subdivision Improvements Agreement extension request letter dated April 20, 2012

MOTION:

Supervisor DeVault made the motion to grant a one-year extension. Supervisor Sentner amended the motion to add that the one-year extension be granted with the conditions as stated in Manager DeLong's memo dated May 3, 2012. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Borough of Macungie Police Department request to use East Macungie Rd. as detour route letter dated April 27, 2012.

MOTION:

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to grant the use of East Macungie Road as a detour route per the letter dated April 27, 2012. Supervisor DeVault seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

2. School Bus Stop Ahead & Hidden Driveway Sign request from Len & Judy Hoch 4791 Churchview Road letter dated March 26, 2012.

Supervisor Mohr said that this was discussed at the Workshop Meeting, and the “school bus stop ahead” sign was approved and will be installed by the Township. Supervisor Mohr said regarding the “hidden driveway” sign it has been past practice that where the Township has allowed the sign the owner had to pay the cost for the sign and for the Township to install the sign. Supervisor DeVault said that he was okay with that. Supervisor Sentner said that his thought was that the “hidden driveway” sign was not needed, and it would not slow motorist down. Supervisor Sentner said his recommendation was to install the “school bus stop ahead” sign and not the “hidden driveway” sign. Supervisor Mohr asked how far ahead of the driveway were the signs posted. Manager DeLong replied that it depended on the speed limit. Manager DeLong said that the speed limit on Churchview Road was 40mph so he thought that the distance was 375 feet. Supervisor Mohr asked where the sign would be posted. Manager DeLong replied on the neighbor’s property. Supervisor Sentner said that he felt that the “school bus stop ahead” sign would be more of a deterrent for slowing people down than the “hidden driveway” sign. Manager DeLong said that there is a “hidden driveway” sign across the street from the Hoch’s property for the properties on the other side of the street; however it faces the other direction. Supervisor Mohr said that if the Hoch’s wanted the sign and they were willing to pay for the sign that would be fine by him.

MOTION:

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to approve the request for a “driveway ahead” sign provided that the Hoch’s pay for the sign and the installation of the sign. Supervisor DeVault seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, there were two in favor and one opposed, and the motion carried.

3. Borough of Macungie request for Special Fire Police assistance at various events in the Borough throughout the year. (letter dated April 11, 2012)

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MOTION:

Supervisor DeVault made the motion to grant the request per letter dated April 11, 2012 from Macungie Borough Manager, Chris Boehm, provided the Special Fire Police are willing and able to provide assistance. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor and the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: - None

OTHER ISSUES:

1. Neighborhood Improvement Zone (NIZ) Legislation

MOTION:

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to express the displeasure of Upper Milford Township's Board of Supervisors to the NIZ Legislation and to direct staff and the Solicitor to notify those concerned of Upper Milford Township's opposition to the legislation and Upper Milford Township's intent to join the litigation to the situation so warranted in the future. Supervisor DeVault seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

REPORTS:

Township Emergency Management Coordinator:

Bill Stahler- None

Recreation Commission: - None

Supervisors:

Robert Sentner - Supervisor Sentner said as a resident, not a Supervisor, he wanted to comment that tonight Lower Macungie Township might be voting on the Jandl Land Development Plan, and he hoped people kept abreast of what was going on with this because it is going to majorly effect Upper Milford Township. He said he really hoped that Lower Macungie thinks about everyone that is involved with this.

George DeVault – Supervisor DeVault reminded everyone that the Borough of Emmaus Farmer's Market will be opening this weekend. Supervisor Sentner commented that the Upper Milford Farmer's Market will be opening this weekend as well.

Daniel Mohr – None

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Township Manager:

Daniel DeLong – Manager DeLong announced that he received the follow up requested insurance information from the Upper Milford Youth Association which he was waiting for in order to get back to the Solicitor to amend the Field Use Policy.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:49 P.M.

Daniel Mohr, Chairman

Date

Cynthia Kuhns, Administrative Assistant