

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TOWNSHIP BUILDING, OLD ZIONSVILLE, PA 18068  
NOVEMBER 1, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M.  
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 P.M.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Supervisor Mohr announced that the meeting was being recorded to principally aid in the preparation of Minutes and for such other purposes as the Board saw fit. For that reason, any person wanting to give any comments during the meeting should please state his or her name for the record and address the Board of Supervisors.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** -

Martin Milne, the Pastor from Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Old Zionsville, addressed the Board of Supervisors regarding his concern on the "S turn" on Kings Highway South. He stated that there is reoccurring accidents at that section of the road. He said that maybe flashing yellow lights or rumble strips would encourage slower speeds. Is there a way that the community can address this concern? He also wanted to know if the community could come up with an Emergency Management Shelter within the community. He wanted to publicly thank Bernie and Bill Stahler for their contact with him during the most recent storm. Supervisor Mohr stated that he feels the biggest problem is with the drivers. Manager DeLong stated that there is a recommended speed limit sign of twenty miles per hour and a right arrow sign, as well. Supervisor Mohr stated that the Township cannot just put a sign there; the Township is bound by Penn Dot's regulations. Supervisor Mohr stated that if the signs up are adequate enough, there is not much more that can be done. Manager DeLong stated that he and Steve Ackerman have discussed placing the thermal arrows in the street showing that the road curves right. Supervisor Mohr stated that the Supervisors would look into if there is anything that can be done. Supervisor Sentner asked if a portable Pedestrian Crossing sign would help. Manager DeLong said that unless someone from the church would want to place the sign out everyday, it is pretty much limited to events at the church.

Supervisor Sentner stated that with everything with the recent storm, the Supervisors will be discussing Emergency Management. Supervisor Mohr stated that the only thing the Supervisors have authority to do is to declare of State of Emergency. Supervisor Sentner said that there should be quarterly meeting for Emergency Management so that everyone is more prepared.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. 2013 Budget

Manager DeLong requested that the Board of Supervisors set a Special Meeting for the purpose of discussing the 2013 budget.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to have a Special Meeting to discuss the Budget on November 8, 2012 at 3:00 PM. Supervisor DeVault then seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all in favor, and the motion carried.

2. Sale of Truck 10

Manager DeLong stated that the Board set a reserve price on Old Truck 10 of \$9,500 and the final bid came in at \$10,300. Manager DeLong recommended that the Board award the bid and direct staff to go ahead with the sale of the Old Truck 10.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to accept the high bid for Old Truck 10 of \$10,300 and direct staff to move forward with the final sale procedures. Supervisor DeVault then seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all in favor, and the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Hurricane Sandy

Manager DeLong stated that some residents are still suffering from the lack of power. When you look at New York and New Jersey and compare that to Upper Milford Township, the Township is in good shape. Not one volunteer Fireman or Public Works Staff was hurt and no equipment was damaged. One problem with the communication from PPL Electric is that PPL was sending electronic communications however not many people have been receiving the notifications do to the cell service being so spotty. The Township cell phones did better with this storm with the new carrier as compared to the storm last October with the old carrier. He noted that the truck to truck radios were functional but the Township will be receiving new Programmable Radios which will allow the trucks to communicate more directly with the fire companies. Supervisor Sentner thanked the Public Works Department, the Fire Companies, and the Upper Milford Township residents for the way everything was handled during this storm. He also mentioned that he feels the Township needs to come up with a better Emergency Management Plan. He feels that there should be better communications with the Fire Departments and Public Works. Resident Phil Casey wanted to announce that he feels the Township has a good guy,

Manager DeLong and good workers behind him. Supervisor Mohr stated that he received a call from a resident offering his help to anyone who needed help, such as cutting down trees. Supervisor Mohr suggested that this resident should check with his church members to see if anyone at his church needed help. Resident Barry Williams stated that unfortunately most people only notice the electric workers when they are sitting taking breaks but the worker he talked to was telling him that he was taking an hour break after working a 16 hour shift. He stated that the workers really looked tired and need some appreciation. Supervisor DeVault stated that he thinks everyone involved with the storm clean up did an exceptional job. Resident Frank Caputo stated that one of his neighbors called the Vera Cruz Fire Company because of water in her basement and within an hour there was a truck there to pump the water out and she is forever grateful.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:36 P.M.

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Daniel J. Mohr, Chairman

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Date

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AnnaMarie L. Zeravsky, Secretary/Treasurer