

UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TOWNSHIP BUILDING  
NOVEMBER 21, 2013 AT 7:30 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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

Meeting called to order at 8:03 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.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

Resident Don Scott of Buss Drive expressed his concerns with PennDOT rerouting truck traffic throughout the Township because of the lowering of weight limits on bridges. He feels this is negatively affecting the quality of life within the Township. He is inquiring about what the Township plans to do about this issue. Manager DeLong stated that all of the roads affected are PennDOT roads and Upper Milford Township has no jurisdiction. Manager DeLong stated that PennDOT is more than willing to have the Township foot the bill to widen Route 100/Route 29 and replace bridges but that is not going to happen. The two point five billion dollar transportation bill is supposed to increase funds to repair some of the bridges. This is not going to fix all of the bridges in one year or even five years. Manager DeLong noted that the weight limits do not mean that the bridge will collapse if the trucks travel over the bridge. The weight limit reduction is to lengthen the time before the bridges need to be repaired or are closed. Supervisor Mohr suggested that residents contact their local state representatives to express their concerns.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: -**

November 7, 2013 Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:**

Supervisor DeVault made the motion to approve all minutes. 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 XXXX7096 - Check No's. 13403 to 13437 in the amount of \$51,846.40

**PAYROLL FUND:**

PLGIT XXXX7015 – Check No. 7284 the amount of \$48.92

**MOTION:**

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

**OLD BUSINESS:** -

1. Adoption of 2014 tentative budget and authorization for staff to advertise the same.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to adopt the 2014 Tentative Budget and to authorize staff to advertise the Budget for public review and comment. Supervisor DeVault seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

2. PA DOT Agility Agreement; Resolution No. 2013-027

Manager DeLong explained that the Agility Agreement is an official agreement between PennDOT and Upper Milford Township to do mutually beneficial projects and/or trade materials or services. The Agility Agreement comes before actually developing a work plan. Supervisor Mohr explained that he is all for the agreement. Supervisor Sentner explained that he is not for the agreement, what so ever. Supervisor DeVault explained that the Township needs the agreement first so that the Township can start working with PennDOT.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor DeVault made the motion to approve the Agility Agreement and Resolution 2013-027. Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, two were in favor, one opposed and the motion carried.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** - None

**NEW BUSINESS:** - None

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

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

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

**SUBDIVISIONS – IMPROVEMENTS:** - None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** - None

**OTHER ISSUES:** –

Manager DeLong explained that the traffic study between Churchview Road and Fountain Road on Kings Highway South is currently taking place.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** – None

**REPORTS:**

Emmaus Library:

**Lisa Marten** – Ms. Marten stated that there will be a Holiday Book Sale at the Library on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM. On Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM, the Library will be Holiday Story time for all ages and there will also be craft tables set up from 10:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

Township Emergency Management Coordinator:

**Bill Stahler** – Mr. Stahler noted that Scott Lindenmuth offered to meet with the Fire Chiefs and himself. However, due to conflicts in scheduling, Mr. Stahler feels this will not take place until the beginning of the New Year.

Recreation Commission: Barry Williams indicated No Report

Supervisors:

**Daniel Mohr** – Supervisor Mohr wished everyone a happy upcoming holiday.

**Robert Sentner** – Supervisor Sentner thanked the fire companies, both local and mutual aid, that helped to put out the fire earlier in the week at the Seem Seed Farm.

**George DeVault** – Supervisor DeVault commended the local fire companies for making a “good stop” at the recent Fire at Seedway. Supervisor DeVault also noted that the Township has a burning ordinance that specifically forbids commercial establishments from burning their refuse. Seedway is clearly a commercial establishment. He would like to enforce the Township ordinance.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor DeVault made the motion to direct staff to investigate any matters relating to the fire at Seedway and to take appropriate action, including civil enforcement if necessary. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

Township Manager

**Daniel DeLong** – Manager DeLong announced that the Township Newsletter was mailed and the residents should look for it in the upcoming mail. This edition of the Newsletter covers Emergency Preparedness.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:31 P.M.

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Daniel J. Mohr, Vice-Chairman

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AnnaMarie L. Zeravsky, Secretary/Treasurer