

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

**Upper Milford Township
Board of Supervisors
Township Building, Old Zionsville, PA 18068
February 7th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE: Supervisors; Robert Sentner, Joyce Moore, Daniel Mohr; Manager, Bud Carter; Planning Coordinator, Brian Miller; Solicitor Marc Fisher; Township Engineer Jeffery Ott; secretary/Treasurer Jessi O'Donald

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

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 your name for the record and address the Board of Supervisors.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Phil Casey: Mr. Casey expressed concerns about the amount of salt being spread on the roads and the environmental concerns that go along with that salt and the degradation of the concrete of the bridges. He explained that he has suggested alternatives before and wanted to mention that municipalities are now using beer brewery waste in road treatment.

He also discussed that he has brought up several times the use of GPS units in the trucks but that use was only approved for the small trucks and now is wondering if GPS units will be placed in all of the trucks.

He also questioned the LCA sewer charges for Upper Milford Township. He thought he remembered that Upper Milford Township would not get the infrastructure charges talked about for surrounding areas. He questioned an article in the Morning Call about extra charges for the Kohler tract development. He wondered if Vera Cruz would still be exempt.

It was explained that the developer is being charged to bring in the lines for the Kohler Development and his concerns would be looked into. It was felt that Mr. Casey was thinking about water infiltration charges. These would not be charged for Vera Cruz since it's a new pressurized system.

OLD BUSINESS: - None

NEW BUSINESS: -

1.) Act 167 Discussion

Discussion between Manager Carter, Planning Coordinator Brian Miller, and Supervisors continued about the agricultural exemption for Storm Water within the Township's Act 167 Plan and the changes that need to be made. Manager Carter and Planning Coordinator Brian Miller discussed their concerns as to effects the exemptions may have on neighboring properties. Supervisors expressed that they understand the concerns and asked if we have received a statement from the Pennsylvania Attorney General on our Ordinance. Since there has been no

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statement as yet it was decided that they would proceed with the changes they know need to be made for decks, pools and the up to 10,000 square foot agricultural use storm water exemption. They would hope that they hear from the Attorney General prior to completing those changes. Supervisor Sentner expressed his concern that the farmers needed relief. Other concerns range from cost of engineering for non-agricultural uses to the transfer of an agricultural property to a new purchaser with a non-agricultural use, to changing the three affected ordinances and having to change them again once we hear from the Attorney General. Agricultural use is defined by the ability to make at least \$2,000 from the property. Planning Coordinator Brian Miller and Manager Carter will draft the changes to be presented to the Board prior to any advertising of the Ordinances.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: -

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Upper Milford Township Board of Supervisors held an executive session to discuss Personnel Matters from 7:24 pm until 7:36 pm

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Chairman Robert C. Sentner

02/21/2019
Date

Secretary/Treasurer Jessi O'Donald