

**APPROVED**

January 5, 2009  
Salford, Pennsylvania

The re-organization meeting of the Upper Salford Board of Supervisors was brought to order by Supervisor Poatsy at 7:30 PM. Messrs. O'Donnell and Hagey were present.

When asked for nominations, Mr. Poatsy motioned to appoint Kevin O'Donnell as Chairman for 2009. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hagey. The vote carried unanimously.

Mr. O'Donnell motioned to appoint Mr. Poatsy as Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. The motion was seconded by Mr. Poatsy. The vote carried unanimously.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, Susan Rosato was unanimously appointed as Township Secretary.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously appointed Lori Smith as Assistant Secretary.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, Susan Rosato was unanimously appointed as Township Treasurer.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed Robert Hickson as Zoning Officer.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously appointed Stephen P. Imms Jr. as the Township Solicitor.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board unanimously appointed Michael Reinert as the Township Engineer.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board unanimously appointed Fred Ebert as the Township Sanitary Engineer.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board unanimously appointed Roger Priest as Township Building Inspector.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board unanimously appointed Technicon Enterprises Inc. II as the Township Third Party Inspector.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed Lori Smith as the Open Records Officer.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously appointed Gary Raisner to serve on the Planning Commission until 12/31/2012 when the term expires.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board appointed Christian Bean to serve on the Zoning Hearing Board until 12/31/11 when the term expires. The vote carried two to one with Mr. Hagey abstaining.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously appointed Thomas Swaintek to serve as an alternate member of the Zoning Hearing Board until 12/31/11 when the term expires.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board unanimously appointed Bob Nase to serve as the representative to the Indian Valley Regional Joint UCC Appeals Board until 12/31/10. This will complete a three year appointment per Resolution 2006-9.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously appointed Stephen P. Imms, Jr. as the representative to the Board of Trustees for the Indian Valley Library.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed Mr. Poatsy as a representative to the Indian Valley Library Task Force Funding Committee.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, Mr. Poatsy was unanimously appointed as the representative to the Upper Salford Historical Society.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed Mark Krupp to serve as Chairman of the Vacancy Board.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed Mr. Poatsy as the representative to the Indian Valley Chamber of Commerce.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously appointed Lori Smith as the delinquent tax collector for light taxes for Upper Salford Township.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed the firm of Berkheimer Associates as the delinquent Per Capita Tax Collector for Upper Salford Township.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed XPAND as the delinquent Real Estate Tax Collector for Upper Salford Township.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, Marty Lynch was unanimously appointed Township Road Superintendent.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously certified Mr. Poatsy as the voting delegate to attend the State Association's annual convention to be held April 19, 2009 to April 22, 2009.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously certified Mr. O'Donnell as the non-voting delegate to attend the State Association's annual convention to be held April 19, 2009 to April 22, 2009.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board unanimously appointed Kevin O'Donnell as the Emergency Management Coordinator and Robert Hickson as the Assistant Coordinator for Upper Salford Township.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell the Board appointed the elected Auditors to perform the audit of the township accounts for the 2008 fiscal year. The vote carried two to one with Mr. Hagey voting nay.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board adopted the 2009 bill rates for Natural Lands Trust Staff Consultants. The vote carried two to zero with Mr. Hagey abstaining.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously reaffirmed the banking institutions to be used for township funds for 2009:  
Harleysville National Bank  
Harleysville Savings Bank  
PLGIT  
Invest  
Union National Bank  
Sovereign  
Commerce/TD Bank  
State Farm Bank

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously set the amount of the Treasurer's Bond at \$1,000,000.00.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously reappointed the Sewage Study Commission composed of the Board of Supervisors, the Planning Commission, Township Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously appointed Mr. Poatsy and John Giannini as representatives to the Indian Valley Regional Plan.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously set the following township employee salaries effective January 1, 2009.

Lori Smith	\$12.75
Susan Rosato	\$21.40
Robert Hickson	\$29.00
Harry Gourley	\$22.50
Marty Lynch	\$25.75
Drew Hartenbauer	\$19.15

The rates for seasonal employees was set at \$18.75 an hour for snow plowing and \$9.75 an hour for summer help with time and a half to be paid for work other than normal hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. if the hours worked in one day exceed 8 hours.

On a motion made Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board unanimously agreed that the benefits for employees remain the same in 2009 as in 2008.

The following reports were presented for the month of December 2008: State Police, Fire Company, Green Lane Community Ambulance, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector, Park Board, Road Superintendent, Township Solicitor and Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission.

Gregg Adelman appeared before the Board on behalf of Sunnybrook Developers, Inc. requesting an extension of the zoning vesting period for the **Spring Run Farm Subdivision**, which received preliminary approval on April 13, 2004. The Board suggested that Mr. Adelman's request be presented to the Planning Commission for their consideration. The township secretary was directed to seek the Planning Commission Chairman's permission to add the matter to the January 20, 2009 Planning Commission agenda.

The Board of Supervisors reviewed the **Tuhacek Zoning Hearing** Application. **Mr. Poatsy offered a motion**, which was seconded by Mr. O'Donnell for the purpose of discussion, authorizing the Township Solicitor to attend the Zoning Hearing on behalf of the township. The motion was amended to authorize the Township Solicitor to attend the Zoning Hearing to present objection to the expansion of the non-conforming accessory use, and/or any additional objections stated by the Planning Commission, pending the discussion at the January 20, 2009 Planning Commission meeting. The vote carried two to one with Mr. Hagey voting nay.

Mr. O'Donnell announced the upcoming **Upper Salford Night at Spring Mountain** scheduled for Monday, February 9, 2009 from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., which offers reduced rates to township residents for lift tickets, rentals, ski lessons and tubing.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Hagey and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved **Resolution 2009-1**, recognizing and honoring **Dorothy Terhune** for her service to Upper Salford Township upon the occasion of her retirement.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the submission of the **Wrschka Planning Module** to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), thus amending the Township's current 537 plan.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved **Resolution 2009-2** establishing a policy for responding to requests for information under the Pennsylvania Right to Know Law 65 P.S. §§67101 *et seq.*

Upon Mr. O'Donnell's suggestion, it was the consensus of the Board of Supervisors that information provided by the Township Solicitor upon the request of one member of the Board be shared with each member of the Board.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the concept for a **flag pole memorial** presented by Teddy Poatsy, which proposes the installation of a flag pole at the Upper Salford Park as a memorial to the residents of Upper Salford. The vote carried three to zero with Mr. Hagey noting that the flag should be property lit and appropriately displayed.

The rates to rent the pavilions at the Upper Salford Park, Moyer Marks Park and Rahmer Park were reviewed. **Mr. Hagey offered a motion** to keep the rates the same as the 2008 rates for the Upper Salford Park and not to charge for the use of the pavilions at the Moyer Marks and Rahmer Parks. Mr. O'Donnell seconded the motion for the purpose of discussion. In response, **Mr. Poatsy offered a motion** to increase the rates for the rental of the Upper Salford Park pavilion for parties over 50 to \$100, with an additional cost of \$100 for the rental of the kitchen and \$100 for the rental of the propane grill. He felt the rates for 50 or less should remain the same as 2008. He further indicated the cost to rent the Moyer Marks Park pavilion should be \$35. Mr. Poatsy suggested that the additional income from the increased rates be dedicated to concerts in the park or toward the township officials' picnic.

When a vote was taken, the first motion offered by Mr. Hagey failed for lack of a majority.

After a brief discussion, **Mr. O'Donnell offered a motion** to increase the rates for the rental of the Upper Salford Park pavilion for parties over 50 to \$100, with an additional cost of \$75 for the rental of the kitchen and \$75 for the rental of the propane grill. Reservations of the pavilions at the Moyer Marks Park or Rahmer Park should be accepted at no charge with the understanding that the renters will be notified of their responsibility to remove trash and leave the pavilions in the condition they found them in. The motion carried with a vote of two to one with Mr. Hagey voting nay.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the execution of the contracts for conservation consulting services presented to the Township by Ross Pilling, which is consistent with the motion made during the December 9, 2008 Board of Supervisors meeting.

*Public comment:*

Chip Damiani questioned the location of the property under consideration.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the bills for the month of January in the amount of \$67,562.38 for payment.

The receipts for the month of January totaled \$72,659.62.

The Treasurer's report as of January 5, 2009 noted the following amounts: total assets-\$3,207,116.72, total liabilities-\$826,444.63, total equity-\$2,380,672.09. Total liabilities and equity equal \$3,207,116.72. **On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board of Supervisors unanimously accepted the Treasurer's report.

The minutes of the December 9, 2008 meeting were unanimously accepted as submitted.

*Public comment:*

- Tom Brown questioned the purpose of the joint Park Board meeting.

Mr. O'Donnell reiterated the new schedule for the 2009 township meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosato  
Secretary