

December 14, 2010
Salford, Pennsylvania

The regular December meeting of the Upper Salford Board of Supervisors was brought to order by Chairman Poatsy at 7:30 p.m. Mr. O'Donnell was present, as well as the Township Solicitor, Stephen P. Imms, Jr.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, Richard E. Sacks was appointed to fill the position on the Board of Supervisors that was left vacant after the resignation of Mr. VanLuvanee. Mr. Sacks was sworn into office by the Honorable Judge Albert J. Augustine.

The following reports were presented for the month of November 2010: State Police, Upper Salford Volunteer Fire Company, Upper Salford Special Fire Police, Lower Frederick Ambulance, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector, Park Board, Road Superintendent, Township Solicitor and Indian Valley Planning Commission.

Following the Solicitor's report, questions from the public included:

- Roger Richter questioned whether permits were issued for stormwater management facilities.
- Barbara Gormley questioned who currently owned what is referred to as the THP property.
- Mark Krupp questioned what could be done if the THP property deteriorates and becomes a hazard.

No bids were made on the **wooden railroad trestle bridge** which had been listed on an on-line auction, Municibid, for sale. The successful bidder would have been responsible for the removal of the bridge.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the Township to proceed with securing a means for the removal of the wooden bridge not to exceed \$1000.00 in costs.

Michael Hart, a local resident and demolition contractor, made a verbal offer to remove the bridge at no cost to the Township. It was requested that Mr. Hart forward his proposal and necessary documents to the Township secretary.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted **Fee Resolution 2010-15** to become effective January 1, 2011 with the following amendments:

- Permits for solar panels under accessory structures would be a flat fee of \$75.00 for residential and \$75.00 plus 1% of the project value for commercial projects.
- The Zoning Hearing and Conditional Use Hearing applications fees would be increased to \$850.00 each.
- The price to purchase a Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, Indian Valley Regional Comprehensive Plan and/or the Upper Salford Open Space Plan was increased to \$35.00 each.
- A Temporary 90 Day Use and Occupancy permit would be \$100.00.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors approved the **2011 Budget**. The vote carried two to zero with Mr. Sacks abstaining.

Questions from the public included:

- Roger Richter questioned whether certain items had been included in the budget.
- Gary Larson questioned the costs included in the recreation budget.

Upon review of the zoning hearing application for **The Upper Room Ministries**, it was decided that the Township Solicitor would attend the Zoning Hearing scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2010 on behalf of the Township.

Questions from the public included:

- Chip Damiani asked for clarification of the variance needed.

Mr. O'Donnell announced that the **Act 537 Sewage Facility Plan** may be added to the December 21, 2010 Planning Commission meeting agenda if approved by the Chairman of the Planning Commission.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the advertisement of the **2011 Board of Supervisors meeting dates** to be held the second Tuesday of every month.

Comments from the public included:

- Mary Larson and Chip Damiani had comments relating to the November meeting falling on Election Day.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors approved the bills for the month of December in the amount of \$162,665.18 for payment. The vote carried two to zero with Mr. Sacks abstaining.

The receipts for the month of December totaled \$76,576.94.

The Treasurer's report as of December 14, 2010 noted the following amounts: total assets-\$5,225,260.30, total liabilities-\$1,985,037.27, total equity-\$3,240,223.03. Total liabilities and equity equal \$5,225,260.30.

On a motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the minutes of the November 9, 2010 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved as submitted. The vote carried two to zero with Mr. Sacks abstaining.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved **Resolution 2010-14**, authorizing a draw on the Letter of Credit for the Weller Tract Subdivision to complete the outstanding improvements.

Mr. O'Donnell announced that with the appointment of Mr. Sacks to the Board of Supervisors there would be a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Anyone interested should submit their name to the Township secretary.

Public Comment:

- Joe O'Brien asked for an update on the water company proposed by DEP to handle the Baghurst area contamination issue.
- Mary Larson questioned the requirements to become a member of the Planning Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosato
Secretary