

**APPROVED**

December 9, 2008  
Salford, Pennsylvania

The regular December meeting of the Upper Salford Board of Supervisors was brought to order by Chairman Poatsy at 7:30 PM. Messrs. O'Donnell and Hagey were present, as well as the Township Solicitor, Mr. Imms.

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

Mr. Poatsy offered a brief summary of the **executive session** held during the November Joint meeting on November 19, 2008 with regard to the Spring Mountain House acquisition litigation as well as property available for open space purchase through the Estate of Horace Saylor.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously appointed **Ross Pilling** as the Township Open Space Acquisition Consultant.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors awarded the bid for the sale of the **2005 John Deere 5525 tractor** to Richard Halteman from Souderton for \$29,000.00. 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 **2009 meeting dates** of the Board of Supervisors as follows: January 5th, February 10th, March 10th, April 14th, May 12th, June 9th, July 14th, August 11th, September 8th, October 13th, November 10th and December 8th. The Township Secretary was directed to advertise all township meeting dates.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board of Supervisors unanimously instructed the Township Solicitor to prepare a policy for the requirements of the **Right to Know Law**.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the **2009 Financial Budget** as amended.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the **Township Tax Collector**, Lori Smith, to direct Mast Consulting to modify the tax program as needed.

The Board received a letter from Dorothy Terhune in which she tendered her resignation to be effective December 31, 2008. The Board discussed how the Township could recognize Dottie's service to the Township. **Mr. O'Donnell offered a motion**, seconded by Mr. Poatsy, by which the Board of Supervisors accepted **Dorothy Terhune's resignation** effective December 31, 2008, and suggested that the Township prepare a letter recognizing her many years of service. Mr. O'Donnell also asked Supervisor Hagey to recommend an appropriate way to honor her. In response, **Mr. Hagey offered a motion** to accept the resignation effective December 31, 2009 and continue to cover the health and medical insurance, but not salary, to the effective date of the resignation. There was no second to this motion, which failed for lack of a second. The Board then proceeded to a vote on Mr. O'Donnell's initial motion, which carried two to one with Mr. Hagey voting nay. The Board also directed the Solicitor to draft a resolution to be adopted by the Board to honor Dorothy Terhune's service to the township.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the bills for the month of December in the amount of \$132,660.77 for payment.

The receipts for the month of December totaled \$82,819.95.

The Treasurer's report as of December 9, 2008 noted the following amounts: total assets-\$3,197,696.26, total liabilities-\$829,545.52, total equity-\$2,368,150.74. Total liabilities and equity equal \$3,197,696.26.

**On a motion** made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the minutes of the November 11, 2008 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

*Public Comment included:*

- Roger Richter had questions relating to the expansion of the flag pole cell tower located on Sumneytown Pike as well as the Saylor property located across the street from the Upper Salford Park.
- Brian Gwiazdzinski suggested a beacon light be required on the top of any new towers constructed in the township.
- Jim Finegan questioned the township's contract with Spring Mountain and the payments due from Rick Buckman.
- Tom Brown offered a suggestion for insurance coverage for Dottie Terhune.

Mr. Hagey questioned what action was required by the Attorney General's office for amendments to our SALDO and Zoning Ordinance in relation to the forestry regulations.

**Mr. Hagey motioned** that the Board take whatever action is necessary to pose the question "should there be a five member Board" on the next voting ballot. The motion failed for lack of a second.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosato  
Assistant Secretary