

March 1, 2011  
Salford, Pennsylvania

A joint meeting of the Upper Salford Township Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission was brought to order by Chairman O'Donnell at 7:30 p.m. Messrs. Poatsy, Sacks, Giannini, Raisner, Larson, McMaster and Nase were present, as was the Township Solicitor, Stephen P. Imms, Jr. and County Planner, Matt Schelly.

**Ordinance 2011-1**, amending Chapter 18, Sewers and Sewage, of the Code of Ordinances of Upper Salford Township was reviewed.

*Comments from the public included:*

- Bob Lane read a prepared statement expressing his opinion of the ordinance and the Township's compliance with the Sunshine Law.
- Deborah Keller questioned whether fees would be imposed on the residents to implement the requirements of Ordinance 2011-1.
- Steve Pollack indicated a checklist should be used by the pumper/haulers requiring the absorption area to be inspected. He also questioned the process for a variance to reduce the frequency of pumping.
- Gene Gibbas questioned when the pumping requirement would begin.
- Earl Cardellino questioned whether the pumper/hauler or resident would provide a copy of the pumping receipt to the township.
- Karen Byrd questioned if the registered pumper/haulers would be qualified to inspect the systems.
- Joseph Valentine from DelVal Soil questioned whether the Ordinance had been considered by the Health Department and PA DEP and questioned various requirements in the ordinance.
- Tom Brown questioned the decision to require pumping without inspections.
- Earl Cardellino asked for a contact person who residents could call if they had questions regarding problems with their septic system.
- Bob Lane commented on the strategy for the collection of data.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted Ordinance 2011-1, establishing regulations for the installation, operation and on-going maintenance of on-lot sewage disposal systems, and further establishing application and permitting processes and financial and or performance assurances for all individual on-lot sewage treatment and disposal systems and providing for imposition of penalties for noncompliance and appeals for hardship situations.

The review of the Township light ordinance was tabled until the next Joint meeting.

Mr. Schelly provided an updated copy of the Township trail map which included changes based on suggestions made at the last joint meeting and during the multi Park Board meeting. Consideration was given to connections of the township's trails to surrounding municipalities and to the Perkiomen Trail as well as a trail lane along Spring Mount Road.

On a motion made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Sacks, the minutes of the January 4, 2011 joint meeting were approved as amended.

*Public Comment:*

- Bob Lane commented on the Township's policy in complying with the Sunshine Law.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosato  
Secretary