

May 12, 2009  
Salford, Pennsylvania

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

The following reports were presented for the month of April 2009: State Police, Fire Company, Special Fire Police, Green Lane Community Ambulance, Planning Commission, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector, Park Board, Road Superintendent, Township Solicitor, and Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission.

During the Fire Company's report, Brian Gwiazdzinski requested a meeting between the Fire Company and Board of Supervisors to reformulate their 20 year plan. Mr. Imms was asked to check on the advertisement requirements for the meeting under the Sunshine Law.

During the Park Board report, Marcia Clouser presented information on a bird watching tour sponsored by the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy scheduled for June 6 at Spring Mountain. Residents were invited to register on the Conservancy's web site to join the tour.

Mr. O'Donnell adjourned the regular meeting at 7:50 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing to discuss the proposed **Ordinance 2009-1**, which amends the Township Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances. The Public Hearing was duly advertised to allow public comment. The hearing was recorded by a certified court stenographer and will be made a part of these minutes.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:03 p.m. at which time the regular Board of Supervisors meeting was re-opened.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, **Ordinance 2009-1** was unanimously adopted by the Board of Supervisors thereby amending the Upper Salford Township Code of Ordinances.

Action on the **Larson Road Subdivision** was tabled to a later date.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board of Supervisors unanimously authorized the Upper Salford Township Special Fire Police to assist with traffic and crowd control during the Borough of East Greenville's 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks display at the New Goschenhopp Park, if they so desire.

Kevin O'Donnell offered an update on the township's efforts to resolve the issue of the closed wooden bridge on **Salford Station Road**.

*Comments from the public included:*

- Joann Wismer asked if the residents could do anything to help encourage a meeting between the township and the County Commissioners.

- Charlie Gardner commented on the suggestions made by Mr. O'Donnell to resolve the bridge closure.
- Brian Gwiazdzinski questioned if the trail below the bridge should be closed.
- Judy Hartenbauer questioned if property records could prove ownership of the trail.
- Joann Wismer questioned who had inspected the bridge.
- Judy Hartenbauer questioned whether the bridge continues to be inspected.
- Joann Wismer questioned if any time line had been projected for the repair of the bridge.
- Brian Gwiazdzinski asked for information from the May 7, 2009 meeting held in Lower Frederick regarding the Spring Mount Road Bridge.
- Ken VanLuvanee, who had attended the May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, gave a brief synopsis of the meeting, supplying the estimated dates for bid selection, May 14, 2009, let date, June 18, 2009 and access to the bridge to commence construction by the awarded bidder, August 3, 2009. The scheduled completion date is October 29, 2010.
- Judy Hartenbauer added that Clemmers Mill and Spring Mount Road will remain open throughout the construction on the bridge.

Mr. O'Donnell offered an update on the review process of the Township's **537 sewage facilities plan**. He indicated that the Township is in the process of scheduling a meeting to review the draft plan and encouraged residents to look for more information about the meeting on the township website. All meetings are also advertised in a local newspaper.

*Questions by the public included:*

- Nate Payne questioned the purpose of the 537 plan.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the bills for the month of May in the amount of \$74,584.75 for payment.

The receipts for the month of May totaled \$62,924.85.

The Treasurer's report as of May 12, 2009 noted the following amounts: total assets-\$3,358,978.86, total liabilities-\$808,827.23, total equity-\$2,550,151.63. Total liabilities and equity equal \$3,358,978.86.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the minutes of the April 14, 2009 Board of Supervisors meeting were unanimously accepted as submitted.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Poatsy and seconded by Mr. Hagey, the minutes of the April 30, 2009 Special Meeting were unanimously accepted as submitted.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Hagey and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the minutes of the Board's action at the April 1, 2009 joint meeting were unanimously accepted as submitted.

*Public Comment included:*

- Brian Gwiazdzinski asked if the Township had made a decision on who would be performing fire safety inspections.

The Township solicitor asked for direction from the Board with regard to several items relating to the **Saylor Property acquisition**.

The Board authorized Mr. Imms to obtain the services of Evans Abstract to secure title insurance for the property.

**On a motion** made by Mr. Hagey and seconded by Mr. Poatsy, the Board of Supervisors unanimously accepted the proposal of Del Val Soil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. to provide a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment report for the Saylor property.

*Public comment included:*

- Brian Gwiazdzinski asked if a sealed bid was required.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosato  
Secretary