

June 7, 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, and Nase were present, as was the Township Solicitor, Stephen P. Imms, Jr. and County Planner, Matt Schelly. Mr. McMaster was absent.

Mr. O'Donnell announced that the Board had authorized the Upper Salford Special Fire Police to assist at a charity function at the Daniel Lawn and Garden Center on Sunday, June 12, 2011.

After a review of the amendments suggested for the Township's existing **lighting provisions**, Mr. Schelly was asked to prepare another draft ordinance using Marlborough Township's lighting standards as an example. The concurrent goal was to keep the regulations simple while addressing problems. Two items to consider were shielding of light bulbs and the direction of lights. Definitions would be added to the township's lighting provisions and should define what is considered a nuisance.

The review of the lighting provisions will continue at the next joint meeting.

Mr. Schelly questioned whether the Board was interested in changing the soil designation in the Township Zoning Ordinance based on a recent study prepared at the request of Montgomery County. It was decided that no changes would be considered until after the County's draft ordinance is completed and available for review.

Mr. Schelly was further advised that the **Greenway Guidebook** analysis should refer to "map units" instead of "soil types".

The land development review requirements **for lot line adjustments** were discussed. Since Mr. Poatsy had expressed his concern with the requirements imposed on residents applying for a lot line adjustment, he was asked to supply his opinion as to when the submissions should require a full review or under what circumstances the requirements could be minimized. The matter would be discussed further at the July Joint meeting.

The Township Zoning Officer, Bob Hickson, had asked for clarification as to whether the **definition of forestry** was intended to include the non-commercial cutting of brush, small trees and general cutting for clearing purposes. It was decided that the regulations for forestry should apply to commercial logging only. The Township Solicitor would prepare a memo to be given to the Zoning Officer to respond to his inquiry.

Standards for addressing **alternative energy** such as wind, solar and geothermal would be discussed at the July Joint meeting.

On a motion made by Mr. Giannini and seconded by Mr. Nase, the minutes of the May 3, 2011 joint meeting were approved as written.

On a motion made by Mr. Nase and seconded by Mr. Giannini, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosato
Secretary