

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REORGANIZATION MEETING
January 4, 2010

The Board of Supervisors of Upper Merion Township met for a Reorganization Meeting on Monday, January 4, 2010, in Freedom Hall, in the Township Building in King of Prussia. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m., followed by a pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Greg Waks, Bill Jenaway, Joseph Bartlett, Edward McBride, and Erika Spott. Also present were: Ronald Wagenmann, Township Manager; Judith A. Vicchio, Assistant Township Manager; Angela Caramenico, Assistant to the Township Manager.

Mr. Wagenmann noted that this meeting was duly advertised in the Times Herald on December 4, 2009 as required by law.

SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

- A. William Jenaway – Supervisor – by District Justice James Gallagher
- B. Gregory Waks – Supervisor – by District Justice James Gallagher
- C. Lynn Cosentino – Auditor – by District Justice James Gallagher
- D. Rose Hykel – Tax Collector – by District Justice James Gallagher

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR 2010:

- A. Temporary Chairman – It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. Waks, all voting “Aye” to appoint Bill Jenaway as Temporary Chairman. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.
- B. Chairman of the Board – It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. McBride, all voting “Aye” to appoint Joseph Bartlett as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the year 2010. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.
- C. Vice Chairman of the Board – It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, all voting “Aye” to appoint Edward McBride as Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the year 2010. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

Board Comment:

Chairman Bartlett commented that former Supervisors Scott Sibley and Barbara Frailey served the community well and expressed appreciation for their hard work and many contributions.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2010:

- A. Secretary-Treasurer – It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. Waks, all voting “Aye” to appoint Ronald G. Wagenmann, Township Manager, as Secretary-Treasurer. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.
- B. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer – It was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting “Aye” to appoint Nicholas Hiriak, Finance Director, as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

- C. Open Records Clerk – It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, all voting “Aye” to appoint Angela Caramenico as Open Records Clerk. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.
- D. Township Solicitor – It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Bartlett to appoint Joseph Pizonka, Pizonka, Reilley, Bello & McGrory, P.C., as Township Solicitor in accordance with the rates as per letter dated November 30, 2009.
- E. Township Consulting Engineers:
1. Land Subdivision/Development Plan Applications – CMX (rates as per their letter of December 10, 2009)
 2. Environmental Assessment – Hazardous Waste Sites – CMX (rates as per their letter of December 10, 2009)
 3. Grant Consultant – CMX – (rates as per their letter of November 23, 2009)
 4. Traffic and Signalization: Pennoni Associates, Inc. (rates as per their letter of December 15, 2009)
 5. Wastewater Operations and Pre-Treatment: ARRO Consulting, Inc. (rates as per their letter of December 10, 2009)
 6. General Civil Engineering: Pennoni Associates, Inc. (rates as per their letter of December 15, 2009)
 7. Environmental Assessment: F.X. Browne, Inc. (rates as per their email of December 11, 2009)

Board Comment:

Mrs. Spott commented that the Board was successful in holding township consultants for 2010 to their 2009 level.

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, all voting “Aye” to approve the above appointments as submitted. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

- F. Chairman of Board Vacancy Committee – It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. McBride, all voting “Aye” to appoint Ralph Volpe as Chairman of the Board Vacancy Committee. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

G. Citizen Boards, Commissions and Authorities

1. Resignation of Greg Waks from ECDC and Community Center Sub-Committee

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Jenaway, seconded by Mr. McBride, to accept the resignation of Greg Waks from the aforementioned committee and sub-committee. Mr. Waks abstained. Motion passed 4-0-1.

2. Resignation of Bill Jenaway from Fire & Rescue Board and Community Center Sub-committee

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Waks, to accept the resignation of Bill Jenaway from the aforementioned committee and sub-committee. Mr. Jenaway abstained. Motion passed 4-0-1.

3. Reappointments:

Mr. Bartlett noted the following list of Citizen Board members whose term expired on January 1, 2010 and are interested in reappointment:

<u>Board/Committee</u>	<u>Name</u>
Economic & Community Dev.	Sharyn Clauson - 3 yrs.
Environmental Adv. Council	Janet Medrow – 3 yrs.
Environmental Adv. Council	Vivian Peikin – 3 yrs.
Fire & Rescue Services	Charles Rossi – 2 yrs.
Library Board of Directors	John Egan – 3 yrs.
Library Board of Directors	Susan Lomax – 3 yrs.
Media Communications Board	James Kravitz – 3 yrs.
Municipal Utility Authority	Stanley Channick – 5 yrs.
Park & Recreation Board	Barbara Schafer – 5 yrs.
Park & Recreation Board	Michael Trachtenberg – 5 yrs.
Police Citizen Advisory Board	Matt Frangiosa – 3 yrs.
Police Citizen Advisory Board	Catherine McBride – 3 yrs.
Police Citizen Advisory Board	Frank Rodrique – 3 yrs.
Shade Tree Commission	David Krasner – 5 yrs.
Transportation Authority	Lou Zotti - 5 yrs.
Zoning Hearing Board	Robert Montemayor – 3 yrs.

Board Comment:

Mr. Bartlett noted that there are currently three vacancies -- one on the Police Citizen Advisory Board and two on the Shade Tree Commission.

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Jenaway, seconded by Mr. McBride, all voting “Aye” to approve the reappointments as submitted. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

SCHEDULING OF 2010 MEETING DATES:

Board Action:

It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, all voting “Aye” to approve the list of 2010 Meeting Dates as presented. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01 RE: DEPOSITORIES FOR TOWNSHIP FUNDS

Mr. Bartlett asked for a motion on Resolution No. 2010-01 that provides depositories for the year 2010 be placed in the following accounts with the institutions listed below:

<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>BANK INSTITUTION</u>
General Account	TD Bank
Payroll Account	TD Bank
Land Improve. Escrow	TD Bank
Tricentennial Account	TD Bank
Library Account	TD Bank
Administrative	TD Bank
Sewer Revenue	TD Bank
Investment Accounts	Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)
Investment Accounts	Pennsylvania Treasurer's Invest Program for Local Governments
Investment Accounts	PA School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF)
Investment	Harleysville National Bank, Bank of America, National Penn Bank, PNC Bank

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution No. 2010-01 as presented. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

AFFIRMATION OF 2010 HOLIDAYS FOR TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting "Aye" to approve the holidays for township employees for 2010 as presented. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

SELECTION OF DELEGATE(S) RE: 2010 PSATS ANNUAL CONVENTION (APRIL 18-21) AUTHORIZATION OF ATTENDANCE AND APPOINTMENT OF VOTING DELEGATE

Board Comment:

Mr. Bartlett stated that PSATS, the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors is a meeting in Hershey, Pennsylvania consisting of supervisors from all over the state.

Mr. McBride recalled the discussion last year about reducing the number of attendee delegates at this convention and moved to send a single supervisor and the township manager.

Mr. Bartlett outlined some of the beneficial aspects of the PSATS convention and believed that more supervisors should attend.

Mr. Jenaway pointed out that he has been a speaker at this convention for four of the last five years and he will be speaking again this year at no cost to the township.

Mrs. Spott commented that cost issue aside, during a time when residents and township employees have been asked to help during these difficult times that this is the year where supervisors attendance [at the PSATS convention] should be limited.

Mr. McBride amended and clarified his motion and said that he agrees with Chairman Bartlett that it is a valuable conference to attend and he also agrees with Mrs. Spott that for one year the Board could forego sending everyone and just send two supervisors [one of whom is voting delegate] and the township manager – total of three people. He noted that Mr. Jenaway would already be there at no cost to the township.

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Jenaway, seconded by Mr. Waks, all voting “Aye” to authorize attendance at PSATS Annual Convention to include two supervisors and the township manager. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMITTEE

Mr. Bartlett read a letter of invitation from the Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee for Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 7 p.m. at Upper Merion Middle School, 450 Keebler Road. Residents are welcome.

VOTING DELEGATE FOR PSATS CONVENTION

Mr. McBride nominated Chairman Joseph Bartlett as voting delegate at PSATS Convention.

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Waks, all voting “Aye” to appoint Chairman Joseph Bartlett as voting delegate to PSATS. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

RONALD G. WAGENMANN
SECRETARY-TREASURER
TOWNSHIP MANAGER

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Minutes Approved:

Minutes Entered:

The entire proceedings of the business transacted by the Board at this Business Meeting were fully recorded on audio tape, and all documents submitted in connection thereto are on file and available for public inspection. This is not a verbatim account of the minutes, as the tape is the official record and is available for that purpose.

