

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JOINT MEETING
APRIL 23, 2012

The Board of Supervisors of Upper Merion Township met for a Joint Meeting on Monday, April 23, 2012, in the Board Room, in the Township Building in King of Prussia. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by a pledge to the flag.

VICE CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS:

Vice Chairperson Waks reminded residents to exercise their right to vote on April 24. He also reported the sinkhole on Crooked Lane has been repaired and road is now open.

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Bill Jenaway, Greg Waks, Carole Kenney, and Greg Philips. Also present were: Ron Wagenmann, Township Manager; Karl Helicher, Library Director; John Egan, Chairperson; Jeanne Kauffman, Head of Children Services; Marianne Hooper, Adult Services; David Bristowe, Library Board; Linda Noll; Tracy Pasquale; Aleta Duey; and Sharon Duris. Supervisor Spott was absent.

DISCUSSIONS:

LIBRARY BOARD

Mr. Karl Helicher, Library Director reported overall library has been good with overall library circulation increasing 10% since 2007. The Children's Department has 423 programs attended by 21,000 plus children and the Adult Department has 64 programs attended by 2,300 people. For the second year in a row, the library budget was sufficient to cover these programs, and it has not been necessary to tap into the Fine Endowment. He noted, while books have been borrowed to a lesser degree, there has been a continued increase in borrowing ebooks. This past year the Library Board earmarked \$17,000 for the purchase of ebooks for adults and children. The number of children's programs decreased slightly from the high numbers experienced in recent years. This decrease is not due to a lack of funds, but rather to the staffing shortfall during the current job freeze.

Jeanne Kauffman, Head of Children Services, provided an update on the Children's Department noting the circulation of children's materials increased by 20% in the past five years. A large segment of programming is for pre-school children. Storytellers are experts at selecting and presenting books, songs and other interactive activities in ways to build early literacy skills. These skills are modeled for parents, teachers and early learning care providers involved in the in

-house program as well as outreach programs. Seven traditional day time classes are offered for preschoolers, including an evening drop-in class to accommodate working families. Special holiday themed events are provided as well as six bilingual story times. Last year, a successful series of classes was offered using children's picture books to build early math skills as well as theme classes on recycling and yoga. Outreach included 115 traveling story times to local pre-schools and child care providers.

Ms. Kauffman outlined a wide array of other different kinds of successful activities offered by the library. Highlights include:

- reading incentives, stimulating workshops and exciting family entertainment shows to keep children reading during the summer
- during the school year monthly themed book series or book character parties are held for elementary age children
- there are science classes, cultural programs and listening classes. All of the programs for this age group incorporate reading aloud
- Homeschoolers are welcome and utilize the library
- Middle school children enjoy having their own club, Junior Friends of the Library, and participate in plays and dramas. They also like helping younger children and putting on programs for them.
- An Enchanted Library Program in October.
- Currently there are 50 pairs of middle school reading buddies that come weekly to meet with a younger child to let the younger child practice their reading skills.
- The library is an important hub of community information and services and partners with the school district, local community organizations, businesses and other service providers to help meet the needs of the community.
- Registration for library programs has been available online since February 2012.

Ms. Marianne Hooper, Adult Services Department, stated this summer the teen theme is "Own the Night" which is open to anyone grade 7 through 12, and the adult theme is "Between the Covers." Ebook circulation is up as are the number of devices to display ebooks; books can now be downloaded to the kindle as well as ipad. Classics are free since they are not copyright protected. The library's lending statistics reflect the decrease in traditional materials and the increase in the use of various technologies. While the library collection continues to add new materials, items that are no longer wanted or needed are removed and sold to supplement the library budget. With the addition of online reference, the reference collection has been weeded extensively.

English as Second Language (ESL) classes continue in popularity. New programs this year include Brown Bag Book Banter which focuses on discussing a particular author rather than individual books and an Indian Culture Week. Other programs include the annual celebration of Black History Month, gardening series, fall and spring book discussions, and summer reading club.

Ms. Hooper reported in addition to the partnership with the schools, the library is continuing to partner with the senior center in providing them with a large print collection, the Friday Flicks program and other occasional programs and classes. The Library also partners with the Farmers Market and provides programs on Saturdays. Other community partners are sought who would like to share their knowledge in library programs.

Mr. Waks commended the work of the library staff and library board for their dedicated work on behalf of the community.

In view of the increased usage at the library, Mr. Waks asked about their space needs. Mr. Helicher responded with the demise of book stores which previously provided space for socialization, the library is becoming more of a place for people to come for technological needs, listening to books and interaction with others, and space is required.

Mrs. Kenney expressed appreciation to the library staff and library board for the many programs offered and enjoyed by her family.

Mr. Philips commented the Upper Merion Township Library is clearly “on the cutting edge” with the many library resources offered to the community. He asked if there are any issues where help is needed. Mr. Helicher responded it is a challenge to keep up with the technology and downloading materials, and buying materials for all the different types of collections which are usable in one device, but not in another device. Ms. Kauffman said it is difficult to know what kinds of materials to invest in. For example, reference materials are not used as much now. Such needs are constantly changing.

Mr. Jenaway stated from the information just presented he picked up on a couple of trends occurring because of the change in the economic situation and asked if there were any changes in demand for certain content material, or if it is generally across the board. Mr. Helicher responded the demand for content does not change. The most popular books people can download are the same ones in print, for example, “how to books” and cookbooks. He said he is seeing demand of the same content in different formats.

MUNICIPAL UTILITY AUTHORITY

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Bill Jenaway, Greg Waks, Carole Kenney, and Greg Philips. Also present were: Ron Wagenmann, Township Manager; Ed O’Brien, Director, Public Works; Stanley Channick, Chairperson; Charles “Pete”

Smyrk, Secretary; James “Jim” Ruddy, Treasurer. Supervisor Spott was absent.

Mr. Stanley Channick, Chairperson, reported the state of the Authority is very good due in large measure to a competent and dedicated staff.

Mr. Ed O’Brien, Director of Public Works, provided an overview of the 2011 projects for the Upper Merion Municipal Utility Authority (UMMUA) as well as the Sewer Revenue Account (SRA).

Mr. O’Brien began with a report on the Swedeland Pump Station Upgrade Project Phase 2, the most needed upgrade project, the Authority is funding at \$1.7 million to upsize and upgrade the pumping station to account for a build out of the entire area feeding into the Swedeland Pump Station. The design has been completed. There was no activity in 2011 pending the outcome of an H2O grant; however, the grant was not successful. A grant application will be resubmitted.

The next project Mr. O’Brien discussed is the Charles Street Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement, Phase II, an SRA funded project for collection systems on Charles Street. The 8-inch pipe was upsized to a 16-inch pipe. Construction has been completed. The restoration has been completed; and as of 2011, the project is complete.

Mr. O’Brien provided an overview of the Tredyffrin Interceptor, a Utility Authority project, known as the Village at Valley Forge, which ties into the force main coming off the Village at Valley Forge property which is the Authority’s portion of that force main. The Authority paid for the funding and the restoration work is done. The force main itself is completed and is now going through some of the final details.

The next project Mr. O’Brien discussed is the Gulph Creek Emergency Streambank Stabilization Project (SRA). The sewer line and manhole in Gulph Creek was being undermined. This was an emergency project to stabilize the bank and protect the infrastructure. This project was completed in April 2011. Subsequent to Hurricane Irene in August 2011, Tropical Storm Lee came through in September and the work had to be redone. Utilizing the aerial, Mr. O’Brien pointed out the work destroyed with the flood waters. The project cost was approximately \$300,000 for the construction phase and amounted to \$600,000 in total. There are some punch list items remaining, but the project is essentially complete. FEMA agreed to provide 50% reimbursement; currently awaiting finalization.

Mr. O’Brien discussed the Frog Run/Crow Creek Emergency Streambank Stabilization project (SRA). There was an exposed sewer line running along the bank of Frog Run. The bank was stabilized, the sewer line protected, and the project was completed in May 2011. There were no issues with this particular project as a result of Irene and Lee.

Mr. O'Brien discussed the upgrading of the Authority funded Emergency Electrical Generator Service, Phase II project at Matsunk. Two 25-year old generators were replaced with one larger generator to run the whole facility in the event of a power failure. This project was completed in 2011 and the equipment is currently in a two-year warranty phase.

Mr. O'Brien discussed the Trickling Filter Tower Remediation Project, Phase II. Phase I consisted of an evaluation and report on potential alternatives for repairs and was completed in 2009; and the project is ready to go to bid. An H2O grant was received for approximately \$332,000. This is part of the bond issue being pursued to receive matching money to move this project forward. These tanks have been in service since the early 1980's and they are in dire need of remediation.

Mr. O'Brien discussed the Rehabilitation Final Settling Tanks No. 2 and Sludge Thickener Tank No. 1, Primary Settling Tanks No. 1 and 2 at Matsunk. The design is complete and is awaiting funding.

The next project Mr. O'Brien discussed was the Emergency Sinkhole Geotechnical Evaluation Study and Remediation Project, an SRA project at Matsunk. This was a study to look into potential sinkhole areas, void areas within the treatment plan recommended by the Utility Authority engineer. The previous study had been done in the early 1980's. The new study revealed some void areas which have since been repaired. This is currently in an evaluation phase through the remainder of this year. The Geotechnical Engineer will issue a final report as to the completeness of the repair and whether anything else needs to be done. There were several sites around the plant that needed remediation.

Mr. O'Brien discussed the Screenings Building Upgrade, a Utility Authority project at Matsunk. The current building is over 20 years old and is in disrepair. The design was completed in 2010 by DCM and the project is awaiting available funding.

The next project discussed was the Upgrade of the Matsonford Pumping Station funded by the Utility Authority. It is the last in a series of ten that were upgraded over the last 20 years. DCM completed the design in 2010 and the project is awaiting funding.

The next project discussed was the Sludging Water Equipment Replacement project, an SRA project, located at Trout Run and Matsunk. This is part of the bond issue and the project is on hold until funding is available.

Mr. O'Brien provided an update of the Municipal Industrial Pretreatment (MIPP) Program with a summary of 2011 activities. He emphasized this is a very important program with a great deal of input from the permitted industrial users and a mutual exchange of communication. Mr. O'Brien reported the 2011 MIPP compliance award winners are: AFA Foods (formerly American Foods Service), PPD Vaccines and Biologics; GlaxoSmithKline; John Middleton, Inc., Arkema,

Inc., Montgomery County Landfill; and Hope's Country Fresh Cookies. He noted that PPD Vaccines and Biologics is a new company, and in their first year in the MIPP program they won a compliance award.

Mr. O'Brien noted Upper Merion Township also recognizes what companies are doing in other areas regarding the environment and pollution prevention. The Pollution Prevention Award is an innovative award supported by the Authority which recognizes permitted users having taken positive pollution prevention action. For 2011, there are two award winners: GlaxoSmithKline upgraded its chilled water plant and managed to reduce energy costs 20-30% which equates to about \$400,000 a year. They also completed a site-wide lighting upgrade project resulting in operating cost savings of another \$125,000 a year. The second winner, Arkema, installed a new gas fired thermal oxidizer resulting in reduction in oxidized emissions from 95 to 99+%. Increase in efficiency also resulted in the reduction of 250,000 cubic feet of natural gas usage per year.

The Upper Merion 2011 operation of the MIPP Program was rated a 90.7% which is considered a Category 1, a top rating received from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Upper Merion received this same top rating from EPA in 2010.

During his update of the MIPP Program, Mr. O'Brien reported there were 11 permitted industrial users in Upper Merion in 2011. All were sampled and inspected in 2011 and out of these, five notices of violation were issued. Penalties were collected from two industrial users amounting to approximately \$9,250.

Mr. O'Brien reported on other Wastewater System items of note in 2011 that included:

- cleaned approximately 198,000 linear feet of sewer mains
- television inspection of approximately 7,500 linear feet of sewer
- inspection of approximately 3,300 manholes
- marked over 3,000 PA One Calls
- replaced 175 linear feet of 6-inch sewer laterals
- replaced 144 linear feet of 8-inch sewer mains
- did not replace any 10-inch sewer mains

Mr. Wagenmann discussed a bulk purchase agreement negotiated with Realen Properties, the developers of Village at Valley Forge, with regard to sewer flow. Mr. Wagenmann outlined additional details of various responsibilities for operation, maintenance and customer billing.

Mr. Wagenmann also noted Realen has an option to purchase all the remaining flow at the Trout Run Plant and explained the process when a new development wants to exercise this option. He noted the pumping station and collection system are now functioning and operated by Little Washington

Wastewater Treatment Company (Aqua America).

A question was asked if Realen exercises its total flow would it place Upper Merion in a position of having to enlarge Trout Run. Mr. Wagenmann responded Trout Run Plant would theoretically be out of flow. He explained the Authority has a safety valve due to the fact when the Abrams Pumping Station was designed the force main originally went from that station to Trout Run. A second force main was built going down from that plant to the Matsunk Plant with the ability to split the flow. All the flow can be sent to Matsunk or roughly 2 million gallons a day can be split between the two plants. There would be an ability to do an interim project where the capacity left at Matsunk could be used for a period of time. But the Authority would then have to proceed with an expansion project. If the Authority were to proceed in this direction, it would be necessary to go back to Tredyffrin, since they are another bulk customer, and ask if they wanted any additional capacity. If as a result of constructing additional capacity and there is an upgrade to the plant necessary, the permit would have to be amended. If there is an upgrade to the current capacity of the plant in treatment level and capital costs affiliated with that, Tredyffrin would pay their fair share of the portion of the upgrade.

MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY BOARD

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Bill Jenaway, Greg Waks, Carole Kenney, and Greg Philips. Also present were: Ron Wagenmann, Township Manager; Don Herbert, TV Services Coordinator; Dave Mrochko, Public Information Assistant; H. David Rassbach, Chairperson; Howard Hoffman, Vice Chairperson; Gerald Denick, Secretary; Jeff Pasquale; and Jim Kravitz. Supervisor Spott was absent.

Mr. Denick discussed the franchise fee paid to the township by Verizon and Comcast. Revenues from Comcast in 2010 amounted to \$395,107 and Verizon amounted to \$159,275. Revenues from Comcast in 2011 amounted to \$386,951 and from Verizon amounted to \$187,650. The combined totals from 2010 were \$554,382 and in 2011 combined totals were \$574,601; representing an increase of \$20,219 or 3.6% increase.

Mr. Rassbach stated the Comcast agreement expired last year and the township is presently negotiating with Comcast for a 15-year franchise agreement.

Mr. Hoffman provided an update on the Comcast negotiations for the new franchise agreement. He indicated the township is looking to maximize the grant from Comcast which will go to the television station as well as obtain more favorable language in the agreement.

Mr. Kravitz discussed the cost reduction in the *Township Lines*. He noted in the summer of 2010, Franklin Maps had approached township staff about

printing the *Township Lines* for Upper Merion Township. Franklin Maps had just completed publishing the first newsletter for Tredyffrin Township and thought Upper Merion might also be interested in having them print the quarterly newsletter. It used to cost the township a little over \$23,000 to print and mail the *Township Lines*, and the amount has gone down to a little over \$6,000 which represents a savings of over \$17,000. There are about 32 companies advertising in each issue of the *Township Lines*. A reimbursement was negotiated with the vendor so that anything above a particular percentage would come back to the township. Because of a reimbursement, the total net savings of approximately \$18,620 was realized.

Mr. Bill Carroll discussed the e-newsletter, a weekly quick-read about events and items of interest to Upper Merion residents. Subscription numbers are up and were helped by a sign-up drive which included a contest.

Mr. Pasquale discussed the social media policy. He noted social networking is one of the fastest growing ways to communicate one on one or with a group. Because of the permanence of internet postings, the Media Board recommends the township communication be one way only from the township out to the public. Mr. Pasquale pointed out the township has other avenues where the public can make contact to have issues addressed, either by telephone, public meetings, letters, or emails.

Mr. Mrochko discussed the PSATS Citizens Communication awards presented to the television services department by the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS). He noted that last year Upper Merion Township received four different awards:

- second place for the UMGA-TV welcome video
- three third place awards for the website, the E-newsletter and also the most improved newsletter, the *Township Lines*.

Mr. Don Herbert provided a sampling of the various television offerings produced by UMGA-TV.

As the Board of Supervisors liaison, Mr. Waks commented on the high caliber of people, with technical expertise and “horsepower,” who serve on the Media Communications Advisory Board and he thanked everyone who works in public information in the township.

Mr. Waks asked if *Township Lines* publication costs could be reduced even further by publishing the newsletter more and selling more advertising. Mr. Kravitz responded in the affirmative and indicated negotiations are ongoing with Franklin Maps in this regard.

Mrs. Kenney appreciated hearing about the cost reductions in publication and increase in revenue. She also encouraged the Media Board to look for new ways to facilitate two-way communication between the township and residents.

Mr. Waks emphasized that the Media Board is very much aware about people who might use social media might not read the e-newsletter and people who might read the e-newsletter might not watch UMGA-TV, but people who might watch UMGA-TV might not use any of the other methods. The Media Board understands it has to cover a very wide road to reach as many people as possible in this community.

Mr. Jenaway commented the biggest challenge going forward will be to bring the next generation into the fold to value what this township has to offer to them as individuals living, working or recreating in Upper Merion Township. He thanked the Media Board for its vision and he concurs with the social media policy.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Bill Jenaway, Greg Waks, Carole Kenney, and Greg Philips. Also present were: Ron Wagenmann, Township Manager; Janet Serfass, Staff Liaison; Chris Kassman, Chairperson; Sal Sonsino, Secretary; Sandra Moskowitz, Vivian B. Peikin, Janet Medrow, Dan Yarnall, Ed Campbell, Jr. Supervisor Spott was absent.

Mr. Kaasman outlined the EAC's key accomplishments in 2011:

- display in the common area of the township building promoting the county's recycle art contest as well as the Energy Works program which seeks to provide loans for homeowners and businesses in the five county region.
- applied for a Pennsylvania Departmental Environmental Protection grant for a rain garden demonstration project to be held at one of the township's parks
- ongoing review of the township's superfund sites.

Mr. Kaasman provided highlights of activities held or planned in 2012:

- participated in Earth Day celebration
- will continue event participation for Community Day
- various environmental forums - the first one was on energy efficiency featuring the Energy Works program. The next forum was on renewable and alternative energy highlighting solar, geothermal
- environmental forums planned later in the year on recycling and stormwater management.
- The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection provided a \$3,000 grant to implement the rain garden project. Funds need to be expended by end of June next year
- two electronic recycling events in partnership with the Upper Merion Township Farmers Market will be held in June and October.

- continuing to monitor township superfund sites
- recruiting an Upper Merion High School student as a non-voting member of the EAC.

Mr. Jenaway offered his observations about a collection site for multiple types of materials at a municipal township building in western Pennsylvania. He said it might be something to look at going forward as a possibility in Upper Merion.

Mr. Kaasman asked the type of things being collected at the multiple collection site. Mr. Jenaway responded there were four or five bins with various items ranging from aluminum to electronics which was a revenue source for the local government.

A member of the group stated this concept was discussed at a previous meeting during which the concern was raised in having a permanent collection site that would require staffing.

Mr. Waks commented this is the reason why the electronic portion of recycling events are taking place at the Farmers Market.

Mr. Philips asked if there is a particular park in mind for the rain garden. Mr. Kaasman responded he visited various facilities in the township and determined one of the best places for a rain garden would be at Heuser Park, the facility where they have bathrooms, concession stands and meeting rooms. Other possibilities are Walker Field where there is a shed and the Senior Center. Once the list is refined Mr. Kaasman will come back to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Philips suggested Baxter Field as a possibility. Mr. Kaasman responded the storm drains do not lend themselves to an external rain barrel as easy as some of the older buildings that are not as efficiently built.

Mrs. Kenney asked if there will be any further discussions about single trash haulers. Mr. Kaasman responded their third environmental forum will be focused on the discussion of the environmental and economic benefits to the three different types of collection systems that are available for trash and recycling:

- a municipal contract where the township contracts directly with one hauler to do the work
- a private subscription which the township currently operates
- a municipal collection where the township actually owns the trucks and provides the workers to go out and pick up the material

Mr. Kaasman said for educational purposes, EAC will be soliciting guests from different sectors, haulers, other townships and residents who have experience with all three types of collection systems in order to obtain a variety of diverse viewpoints.

Ms. Moskowitz provided a report on the recent Earth Day celebration. For next year's event she suggests working with the Park and Recreation Department for additional signage to help get the word out for this fun and important event.

Mr. Waks commented about Chris Kaasman's day job as the Montgomery County Recycling Coordinator and how fortunate it is to have his service and the entire Environmental Advisory Council.

TRICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Bill Jenaway, Greg Waks, Carole Kenney, and Greg Philips. Also present were: Ron Wagenmann, Township Manager; Marianne Hooper; Robin Kelsh; Michelle Gallagher. Supervisor Spott was absent.

Ms. Gallagher stated the Tricentennial Committee consists of about 25-30 people total. Following are highlights of Tricentennial plans:

- an artificial birthday cake for display in the lobby of the township building
- soft kick-off to the Tricentennial on Community Day later this year. There will be a table promoting the Tricentennial with such items for sale as the cookbook, calendar, monopoly game
- The Senior Center's Fall Fling scheduled for September 27th at the King of Prussia Mall will have a Tricentennial theme
- Christmas Tree lighting ceremony in December will be incorporating a Tricentennial theme
- February 2013 will be the start of the big celebration with a gala dinner on February 16th at the Radisson in the Waterford Ballroom. A local resident who is a disk jockey for B-101, Mark Shepherd, will be the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. There will be a band and a special guest speaker.
- Photo collection as well as memories provided by many of the older residents of the township
- Historical interviews similar to the "Remember When's."
- Sixteen month calendar will be offered for sale to interested citizens.
- Cookbook offered for sale with a collection of recipes. Bottom Dollar has sponsored the cookbook which will cover the majority of the cost.
- history book authored by Michael Morris
- Upper Merion monopoly game offered for sale. This will be a major fundraiser.
- Community Day 2013 will be at Heuser Park and will include a parade, sports activities, and events similar to the 4th of July festivities with fireworks.
- Friends of Valley Forge will be hosting the Colonial Revelers on March 10,

2013 at the township building with activities, period costumes, and exhibits open to the public.

Ms. Hooper stated meetings have been held with various members of different schools in Upper Merion, private and public, to arrange for different projects to increase student awareness of Upper Merion's history. There will be a partnership with the Armenian Sisters Academy to do an Armenian culture day with a Tricentennial focus. It is also planned to have some high school senior projects. One of the students has an eagle project to map all the historic sites and write their history.

Ms. Gallagher outlined additional Tricentennial plans:

- Life-size cut-outs of George Washington to be used in schools, businesses and other Upper Merion locations with postings on the Facebook page of "George Washington's" location on a particular day
- Pole banners throughout the township in cooperation with the King of Prussia Business Improvement District (BID).

Ms. Hooper discussed the scope of the historical lecture series for 2013 as well as some miscellaneous activities such as young professionals socials.

Robin Kelsh provided the status of publicity for the Tricentennial. Highlights include:

- Website is under construction. Every page is on the website, but they are not all live as yet. There will be an opportunity to buy commemorative items through the website. These pages will be routed through the Park and Recreation shopping cart to insure proper payment to the township.
- Other outlets for publicity are news, print media, and social media.
- There is a column in the *King of Prussia Courier* about the Tricentennial running about every four to six weeks and will be published more often as 2013 draws near.
- Corporate sponsorships are being developed to match various price points ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000.

Ms. Gallagher noted the Tricentennial Committee is in discussion with the King of Prussia Players about doing some type of a production in 2013. The committee is also looking into the possibility of building murals; locations for the murals are being explored. Also being discussed is a time capsule, what it would contain and where it would be placed.

Mr. Wagenmann reminded the group that a time capsule was buried in 1976 and it was placed on the right side of the flag pole area.

Mr. Philips asked about corporate sponsorships with some of the larger corporations. Ms. Gallagher responded the committee is working on a corporate sponsorship list. Materials have been printed and packages prepared to solicit

the sponsorships.

Ms. Kenney asked if any grants are available for the Tricentennial. A member of the committee responded both State legislators were approached last year at which time nothing was available; however, they have not been asked thus far this year.

Mr. Jenaway asked if there was a separate 501(c)(3) for this activity, and a member of the committee responded in the negative.

Mr. Jenaway suggested there might be an opportunity with some of foundations with arts activities. He said there are about a dozen or so in the Philadelphia region that provide smaller grants, possibly for something like the mural.

Someone in the group suggested the Phoenixville Library has a grant center where online searching can be done for grants.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Mr. Philips, seconded by Mrs. Kenney, all voting "Aye" to adjourn the joint meeting at 9:08 p.m. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

RONALD G. WAGENMANN
SECRETARY-TREASURER
TOWNSHIP MANAGER

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Minutes Approved:
Minutes Entered: