

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUSINESS MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2021

The Board of Supervisors of Upper Merion Township met for a Business Meeting on Thursday, December 9, 2021, in Freedom Hall, in the Township Building in King of Prussia. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by a pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Bill Jenaway, Carole Kenney, Greg Waks, Greg Philips, and Tina Garzillo. Also present were: Anthony Hamaday, Township Manager; John Walko, Esq., Solicitor's Office and Leanna Colubriale, Township Engineer.

MEETING MINUTES: October 14, 2021 Business

Board Action:

It was moved by Supervisor Garzillo, seconded by Supervisor Kenney, all voting "Aye" to approve the Business Meeting minutes of October 14, 2021. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS:

Chairman Jenaway stated that a Zoning Workshop was held prior to the Board of Supervisors meeting and an Executive Session will follow the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICE PROMOTIONS – SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR CORPORAL AARON BARKMEYER – TO BE PROMOTED TO SERGEANT, OFFICER CHRISTOPHER DOLGA TO BE PROMOTED TO CORPORAL, AND OFFICER JOSEPH DAVIES TO BE PROMOTED TO CORPORAL

District Judge Patrick Krouse, who retired from the UMT Police Dept. this year was on hand to swear in the following officers:

Aaron Barkmeyer – promoted to Sergeant
Christopher Dolga – promoted to Corporal
Joseph Davies – promoted to Corporal

The Board congratulated the officers on their promotions.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Action:

Chairman Jenaway asked to remove Item Ten (10) the Crow Creek Trail Project Payment from the Consent Agenda so it can be voted on separately. This was moved by Supervisor Philips, seconded by Vice Chair Kenney, all voting "Aye". None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

Board Action:

It was moved by Supervisor Waks, seconded by Supervisor Garzillo, all voting "Aye" to approve the Consent Agenda. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

CROW CREEK TRAIL PROJECT CONTRACT PAYMENT #13 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,977.50 TO KENNEY EXCAVATING FOR WORK TO DATE ON THE CROW CREEK TRAIL PROJECT

Chairman Jenaway asked for a vote on item ten (10) previous on the Consent Agenda about the Crow Creek Trail Project Contract Payment. After Mr. Hamaday explained why construction of both bridges had been delayed it was brought to a vote.

Board Action:

It was moved by Supervisor Philips, seconded by Vice Chair Kenney, to approve payment #13 in the amount of \$35,977.50. Two opposed. Motion passed 3-2.

Chairman Jenaway had a request to add an item to the agenda about Health Insurance Coverage for Supervisor Waks. Supervisor Philips moved to add it to the agenda, seconded by Vice Chair Kenney, all voting "Aye" with Mr. Waks abstaining. Motion approved 4-0-1.

Board Action:

Supervisor Philips moved to accept Supervisor Waks' letter to participate in the Townships Health Insurance, seconded by Vice Chair Kenney, all voting "Aye" with Mr. Waks abstaining. Motion approved 4-0-1.

RESOLUTION 2021-37 – APPROVAL OF THE 2022 FIRE FIGHTER STIPEND PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$325,000 AND AUTHORIZATION TO INCLUDE IN THE 2022 TOWNSHIP GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET

Board Comments: None

Board Action :

It was moved by Supervisor Waks, seconded by Mrs. Garzillo, to approve the 2022 Fire Fighter Stipend Program. Chairman Jenaway abstained. Motion approved 4-0-1.

RESOLUTION 2021-40 – PA ACT 537 SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE – 2901 RENAISSANCE BLVD. – PROPOSED 300 UNIT APARTMENT COMPLEX. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PROPER TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS TO SUBMIT TO PA DEP SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULES FOR THE SUBJECT PROPERTY AS A PROPOSED REVISION TO THE TOWNSHIP'S OFFICIAL SEWAGE FACILITIES PLAN

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

Supervisor Philips as well as the other Board members wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season. Supervisor Waks apologized for them skipping #9 on the Consent Agenda about buying a piece of property for open space on Summit Street. He also mentioned that the BCA will be starting up again as well as scholarships for students of the township. Vice Chair Kenney mentioned about openings on different Advisory Boards and holiday happenings in the township. Supervisor Garzillo thanked Jennie Ryan-Gisewhite who resigned from the Shade Tree Commission Board. Mrs. Garzillo also spoke about different ways residents can give back or support the community and veterans during the holidays with many different programs. She also mentioned that the winter Farmers Market has begun. Finally, Chairman Jenaway thanked Sharon Davis who resigned from the Advisory Board and mentioned that W. Church Rd. is now open. Mr. Jenaway also thanked the vendors at the Holiday Village.

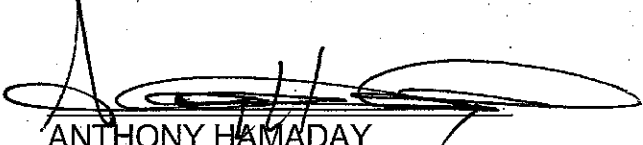
Mr. Ken Brown from Croton Road who is also on the Planning Commission Board spoke about the changes in environment over the years and how the Township along with DEP and other Authorities of the State have to rethink Stormwater Management and gave a few examples like Crow Creek, Martin Dam, etc.

Chairman Jenaway told Mr. Brown that the Stormwater Authority is now aware of it and ask Vice Chair Kenney to remark. Ms. Kenney explained that Mr. Hamaday has reached out to Tredyffrin Township since UMT is downstream and the Stormwater Authority is looking into zoning changes for future projects, she will also setup a site inspection of Mr. Brown's property.

Finally, Chairman Jenaway recapped the past year and discussed the budget that was adopted at tonight's meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Supervisor Waks, seconded by Supervisor Philips, all voting "Aye" to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0. Adjournment occurred.


ANTHONY HAMADAY
TOWNSHIP MANAGER

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Minutes Approved:
Minutes Entered: