

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2017

The Board of Supervisors of Upper Merion Township met for a Reorganization Meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2017, in Freedom Hall, in the Township Building in King of Prussia. The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m., followed by a pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Greg Philips, Greg Waks, Bill Jenaway, Carole Kenney and Erika Spott. Also present were: David Kraynik, Township Manager; and Angela Caramenico, Assistant to the Township Manager.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR 2017:

- A. Temporary Chairman – It was moved by Mr. Philips, seconded by Mrs. Kenney, all voting “Aye” to appoint Mr. Waks as Temporary Chairman. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.
- B. Chairman of the Board – It was moved by Mrs. Kenney, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting “Aye” to appoint Bill Jenaway as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the year 2017. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

Board Comment:

Mr. Jenaway expressed appreciation to the Board of Supervisors for their vote of confidence in his continuing in the chair role this year.

- C. Vice Chairman of the Board – It was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mrs. Kenney, all voting “Aye” to appoint Greg Philips as Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the year 2017. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2017:

Secretary-Treasurer – David G. Kraynik, Township Manager

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer – Nicholas Hiriak, Finance Director

Open Records Clerk – Angela Caramenico

Assistant Open Records Clerk – Rita Pfeiffer

Township Solicitors:

Township Solicitor – Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin, PC. as Township Solicitor (rates as per their letter of September 7, 2016)

Special Tax Counsel – Act 511 – Sean Kilkenny (rates as per their letter of December 21, 2016)

Labor Counsel - Patrick Harvey, Campbell Durrant Beatty Palombo & Miller, PC (rates as per their September 19, 2016 letter)

Zoning Hearing Board – Eastburn and Gray, PC (rates as per their December 20, 2016 letter)

Township Auditor:

511 Tax Auditor:
McCarthy & Company, PC
(rates as per their December 21, 2016 letter)

Township Consulting Engineers:

1. Land Subdivision/Development Plan Applications – Remington Vernick Engineers (rates as per their December 16, 2016 letter)
2. Traffic and Signalization – McMahon Associates Inc. (rates as per their November 30, 2016 letter)
3. Wastewater Operations and Pre-Treatment – Arro Consulting, Inc. (rates as per their November 28, 2016 letter)

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Philips, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting “Aye” to approve the aforementioned appointments as stated. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

Citizen Board Appointments:

It was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting “Aye” to appoint David Karen to the Board of Community Assistance and Joseph Brophy to the Economic and Community Development Committee. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

Citizen Boards, Commissions and Authorities Reappointments:

<u>Board/Committee</u>	<u>Name</u>	
Board of Community Assistance	Scott Milner	3 yrs.
Economic & Community Dev.	Jenn Lyons	3 yrs.
Economic & Community Dev.	Daniel Yarnall	3 yrs.
Environmental Adv. Council	Chris Kaasmann	3 yrs.
Fire & Rescue Services	William Gittins	2 yrs.
Fire & Rescue Services	Bernie Gutkowski	2 yrs.
Library Board of Directors	David Bristowe	3 yrs.
Library Board of Directors	Janet Medrow	3 yrs.
Media Communications Board	Portia Waller	3 yrs.
Municipal Utility Authority	Gian Singla	5 yrs.
Park and Recreation Board	Tina Garzillo	5 yrs.
Pension Advisory Board	Thomas Minger	3 yrs.
Planning Commission	Vivian Peikin	4 yrs.
Police Citizen Advisory Board	Jennifer Schauble	3 yrs.
Police Citizen Advisory Board	Jeffrey McCabe	3 yrs.
Shade Tree & Beautification	Barley Van Clief	5 yrs.
Transportation Authority	Carlton Stuart	5 yrs.
Upper Merion Foundation	Laurel Dasher	1 yr.
Upper Merion Foundation	Vincent O’Grady	1 yr.
Zoning Hearing Board	John Tallman	3 yrs.
Zoning Hearing Board	Maria Mengel	3 yrs.

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Philips, seconded by Mrs. Kenney, all voting “Aye” to approve the aforementioned reappointments as stated. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

SCHEDULE OF 2017 MEETING DATES

Board Action:

It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. Philips, all voting "Aye" to approve the list of 2017 Meeting Dates as posted. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

RESOLUTION 2017-01 RE: DEPOSITORIES FOR TOWNSHIP FUNDS

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Philips, seconded by Mr. Waks, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution No. 2017-01 as presented. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

AFFIRMATION OF 2017 HOLIDAYS FOR TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES

Board Action:

It was moved by Mrs. Kenney, seconded by Mr. Philips, all voting "Aye" to affirm the holidays for township employees for 2017 as posted. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

SELECTION OF DELEGATE(S) RE: 2017 PSATS 95TH ANNUAL CONVENTION (APRIL 23-26, 2017) – AUTHORIZATION OF ATTENDANCE AND APPOINTMENT OF VOTING DELEGATE

Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting "Aye" to authorize attendance and appointment of Greg Philips to serve as voting delegate. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

PROCLAMATION RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. FEDERAL HOLIDAY

After reading the Martin Luther King, Jr. proclamation, Mr. Waks presented the proclamation to LaVera Seymour, who accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Martin Luther King Committee. Ms. Seymour thanked the Board of Supervisors for their support of the Martin Luther King celebration in Upper Merion Township. Ms. Seymour encouraged attendance at this year's program to be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Upper Merion Middle School.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP COMMUNICATION AWARD

Mr. Jenaway announced Upper Merion Township's efforts to keep its residents updated and informed about the community have earned this municipality four awards in the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors 49th Annual Township Citizen Communication Contest. The annual contest recognizes the townships that have successfully communicated programs and activities to its citizens.

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

Mr. Jenaway reported Upper Merion Township was awarded a Certificate of Achievement for excellence in financial reporting for its comprehensive annual report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015. The certificate of achievement presented by the Government Finance Officers Association is the

highest form of recognition in government accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. This is the 19th consecutive year Upper Merion has achieved this award.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Mr. Philips wished a Happy New Year to everyone and expressed appreciation to the many active and involved volunteers in the Upper Merion community.

2016 ANOTHER GREAT YEAR FOR UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP

Mr. Jenaway reviewed the highlights of what has been accomplished in Upper Merion Township over the past year, the challenges ahead in 2017 and his reflections on the many reasons Upper Merion Township serves and has earned a reputation as a model municipality.

Mr. Jenaway expressed appreciation to Mr. Waks for his service as Vice Chair during the past year and his continuing public communication efforts.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mr. Philips, all voting "Aye" to adjourn the meeting. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0. Adjournment occurred at 8:03 p.m.

DAVID G. KRAYNIK
SECRETARY-TREASURER
TOWNSHIP MANAGER

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Minutes Approved:
Minutes Entered: