

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUSINESS MEETING
AUGUST 10, 2023

The Board of Supervisors of Upper Merion Township met for a Business Meeting on Thursday, August 10, 2023, in Freedom Hall, in the Township Building in King of Prussia. The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m., followed by a pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

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

MEETING MINUTES:

July 13, 2023 – Zoning Workshop
July 13, 2023 – Business Meeting
August 3, 2023 – Zoning Workshop

Board Action:

It was moved by Supervisor Kenney, seconded by Vice-chair Jenaway, all voting "Aye" to approve the Minutes. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS:

Chairperson Garzillo expressed her condolence for Police Officer Troy Nicholson who passed away last month and asked everyone for a moment of silence in his honor. In addition, she mentioned that there are a lot of roads being resurface this year and you can go to umtownship.org website to see what roads are being done and the time line when they will be completed.

Chairperson Garzillo also presented two flyers that will be displayed in all retail and grocery stores starting in January 2024 when the new Single-Use Bags and Containers Ordinance takes effect. The other flyer will be displayed in restaurant and food service places starting in July 2024 when the Signal-Use Utensils Ordinance comes into effect.

CITIZEN BOARD VACANCIES:

Chairperson Garzillo gave an update on current vacancies on the Upper Merion Citizen Boards.

CC Advisory Board Student Member	- 1 Vacancy
Economic & Comm Dev Committee	- 2 Vacancies
ECDC Student Member	- 1 Vacancy
Environmental Advisory Council	- 1 Vacancy
Farmers Market Student Member	- 1 Vacancy

- Human Relations Commission - 2 (Alternates)
- Media Advisory Board Student Member - 1 Vacancy
- Public Safety Citizen Advisory Board - 1 Vacancy
- Public Safety Board Student Member - 1 Vacancy
- Shade Tree Comm Student Member - 1 Vacancy
- Upper Merion Foundation Sub-Committee - 1 Vacancy
- Upper Merion Historical Commission - 3 Vacancies
- UM Historical Comm Student Member - 1 Vacancy

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CONSENT AGENDA re:

1. Motion to approve the Budget Guidelines for the 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets.
2. Upper Merion Township Building HVAC Controls: Approval of Payment Application No. 2 in the amount of \$35,666.64 to West Chester Mechanical of Aston, PA for work completed to date.
3. Upper Merion Township Building Boiler Replacement: Approval of Payment Application No. 2 in the amount of \$42,003.00 to West Chester Mechanical of Aston, PA for work completed to date.
4. Resolution 2023-26 – Disposition of Township Computer Equipment.
5. Request for Letter of Support from Upper Merion Township for Local Share Account Montgomery County Grant Application regarding the Renaissance Boulevard Extension Proposed Project at Discovery Labs, 411 Swedeland Road.
6. Authorization to Advertise – Henderson Road Pedestrian Crossing Project Bid - Authorization to advertise the Henderson Road Pedestrian Crossing Project Bid for the installation of a flashing pedestrian beacon on Henderson Road at the Crossfield Road intersection to permit pedestrian crossing to the community garden/overflow parking lot.
7. Land Development Plan Review Extension – Abbonizio Real Estate Partnership – 316 W. Church Road. Accept letter of extension from Abbonizio Real Estate Partnership for the review of the proposed Land Development Plan to October 15, 2023.

8. Land Development Plan Review Extension – Mancill Mill Company, Mancill Mill Road. Accept letter of extension from the Mancill Mill Company for the review of the proposed Land Development Plan (Phase II – Warehouse) to December 31, 2023.
9. Cooperative Management Agreement between the US Department of Interior National Park Service, Valley Forge National Historical Park and Upper Merion Township for the Cooperative Management of the design and construction of the North Gulph Trail.
10. Authorization for the Township Manager to sign Real Estate Tax Settlement Stipulation for Montgomery CIDA, VF Invest Corp. and Warner Road Association, 120 S. Warner Road, for the tax years 2021-2022 resulting in the overpayment of real estate taxes in the amount of \$6,009.23.
11. Resignation of Rachel Zobel from the Economic and Community Development Committee.
12. Resolution No. 2023- 27. Disposition of Township Personal Property. Authorization to sell at auction a used Ford Escape with a value of approximately \$2000.00.
13. Permission to Advertise Zoning Ordinance Amendments in the KPMU District.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Board Action:

It was moved by Supervisor Kenney, seconded by Vice-Chair Jenaway, all voting "Aye" to approve the Consent Agenda. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & PAYROLLS:

Board Action:

It was moved by Vice-Chair Jenaway, seconded by Supervisor Waks, all voting "Aye" to approve the Accounts Payables for invoices processed from July 6, 2023 through August 2, 2023 and Payrolls dated July 7th and 21st of 2023 for a total of \$3,416,457.02. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

Supervisor Kenney explain the Single-Use Ordinance and why it was broken up into two stages. Also, there will be a replacement for each item that will be environmentally friendly, like paper bags instead of plastic.

Chairperson Garzillo mentioned that the new Park & Rec Activity Guide for the Fall is available and she was excited to say they are offering a trip to Ireland. She also mentioned this Saturday at the Farmers Market will be Hot Diggity Dog Day so bring your pet.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Scott Sibley of Avon Road, KOP thanked the Board for approving and working with the Valley Forge National Historical Park on the North Gulph Road Trail. This is an important connector for both Moore Park and The Village at Valley Forge connecting them to Valley Forge Park and the Schuylkill River Trail.

Ms. Robin Westley of Croton Road, Wayne said she has been having water problems since last August and showed pictures to the Board. She feels that the Township should not have approved her neighbor's driveway because it slants toward her property which is causing her yard and garage to flood. She is asking the Township to help get this fixed. Supervisor Kenney asked if Ms. Westley called PennDOT. Mr. Hamaday said the Township will reach out to PennDOT on her behalf and he will schedule to come out and look at the situation the next time it rains.

Mr. James Daniels of Ross Road, KOP said he's been having a problem with his neighbor who put a berm on her property ten years ago to stop the water flow which is causing his property as well as other neighbor's properties to flood. Mrs. Patty Santillo who moved back into her mother's house, stated that she spent over \$6,500.00 trying to fix the problems that Mrs. Mash caused years ago and her mom had to put up with. Mr. Hamaday said he will come out again to look at everything and will also come out when it's raining to see the water flow.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Vice-Chair Jenaway, seconded by Supervisor Kenney, all voting "Aye" to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 pm. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0.


ANTHONY HAMADAY
TOWNSHIP MANAGER

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Minutes Approved:
Minutes Entered: