

Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors
February 3, 2010 Meeting Minutes

The February 3, 2010 meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chair Dave Kulig at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Board of Supervisors: Chair Dave Kulig, Vice Chair Bud Baldwin, Treasurer John Silvers, Member Tom Cino and Member Dan Rattigan. Also in attendance were Township Manager Stephanie Teoli, Township Solicitor John Rice, Esq. and Township Engineer Larry Young, P.E.

There were also members of the public and representatives of the press present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Mr. Kulig led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Kulig announced that there was an Executive Session before the meeting to interview candidates for Labor Counsel.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Attorney James McMasters was present to discuss the Anagnostakos Zoning Hearing Board appeal. He was asked to make his comments when the item came up on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS PAYABLE:

A motion was made by Mr. Baldwin and was seconded by Mr. Cino to approve the January 20, 2010 minutes. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Ms. Teoli directed attention to the bills list for February 3, 2010. A motion was made by Mr. Silvers and was seconded by Mr. Baldwin to approve the February 3, 2010 Bills Payable list in the amount of \$130,762.98. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

PLANNING AND ZONING ISSUES:

**Anagnostakos Zoning Hearing Board Appeal Application
T-Mobile Cell Tower at 1051 Eagle Road**

Attorney Jim McMasters represented the applicant and thirteen other families. He provided an overview of the application to appeal the issuance of the building permit for the cell tower at 1051 Eagle Road, pointing out that the Order from the Zoning Hearing Board did not grant relief from the requirement that the tower be stealth in design. Mr. McMasters asked the township to join the residents in appearing before the Zoning Hearing Board.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Baldwin and was seconded by Mr. Rattigan to authorize Solicitor John Rice to enter an appearance on behalf of the township and to be supportive of appellants in this case. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Rice requested an Executive Session after the meeting regarding pending litigation. No action will be taken.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Resolution No. 2010-2-3 – Disposition of Records

Ms. Teoli introduced the resolution providing for the destruction of documents according to the Municipal Records Act. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Rattigan and seconded by Mr. Baldwin to approve Resolution No. 2010-2-3. Mr. Silvers requested that the Historical Society have the opportunity to review documents that may have historical significance. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

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Ms. Teoli provided an overview of the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission's capital improvement project to improve the Scudder Falls Bridge. She reported on recent correspondence from Hopewell Township regarding the project's impact on traffic flow through both municipalities. After discussion, the board directed Ms. Teoli to meet with representatives from Hopewell Township and also requested that the police department begin to monitor traffic delays in the vicinity of the Washington Crossing Bridge.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

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Mr. Young reviewed the highlights of the Engineer's Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Kulig reported on a recent invitation to Upper Makefield Township to participate in a meeting of the newly-formed Friends of the Thompson Neely House. After discussion, the board requested that Ms. Teoli attend as a representative of the township.

Mr. Rattigan announced that State Representative Scott Petri would brief the board and the community at an upcoming meeting regarding the status of the Washington Crossing Visitors Center.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND MEDIA QUESTIONS:

There were no additional public comments or media questions.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Baldwin and was seconded by Mr. Rattigan to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Motion carried.

Approved: February 17, 2010