

Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors
January 16, 2018 Meeting Minutes

The January 16, 2018 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chair Tom Cino at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Cino invited Third Grade Student Thomas Bates to the dais to assist. In attendance were the following members of the Board of Supervisors: Chair Tom Cino, Vice Chair Diana Nolan, Treasurer Mike Tierney, Member Kris Ballerini and Member Ed Ford. Also in attendance were Township Manager David Nyman, Township Solicitor Mary Eberle, Esq., Township Engineer Larry Young, P.E., Assistant Township Manager Judy Caporiccio, Director of Planning & Zoning Dave Kuhns and Sergeant Dan Jones.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mr. Cino invited Third Grade Students Thomas Bates, Liam Ott and Ava Garberina to the dais to lead in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

SPECIAL ITEMS

Sol Feinstone Elementary 3rd Grade Park Design Project Presentation

Ms. Nolan provided an introduction to a recognition ceremony honoring students from Mrs. Stoudt's 3rd grade class at Sol Feinstone Elementary School. As part of their unit on community needs and local government, Township representatives were invited to the classroom to judge park design projects. Thomas Bates (1st place), Liam Ott (2nd place), and Ava Garberina (3rd place) presented their projects and were given Certificates of Appreciation. Mrs. Stoudt also received a certificate in appreciation of her efforts to teach her students about community needs.

Upper Makefield Business Association – Revolutionary Run

Mr. Cino introduced Richard Mowry, President of the UMBA Board. Mr. Mowry shared highlights of the 2017 Revolutionary Run and various other community service activities performed by UMBA. After introducing the UMBA Board members present, he thanked the Township for supporting the annual event and presented a check in the amount of \$12,000 for the Emergency Services Fund. He then requested the Board to consider earmarking 50% of the funds contributed by UMBA to the Emergency Services Fund toward the cost of a new river boat for the Upper Makefield Fire Department. Mr. Cino thanked UMBA for their contributions and encouraged community members to contact UMBA for membership information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Cino made the following announcements:

- An executive session was held prior to this evening's meeting for personnel matters.
- There are currently vacancies on the Planning Commission, Park & Recreation Board, Environmental Advisory Council, Historical Advisory Commission, Historical Architectural Review Board, Financial Advisory Committee, Cable Advisory Board and Investment Committee. Residents interested in serving on a board are invited to submit a volunteer board application.
- The 3rd public educational session concerning On-Lot Sewage Disposal Systems and the inspection/assessment process for properties in the Dolington/Taylorville areas will be held on Thursday, February 8 at 7:00 pm at the Township building.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and was seconded by Ms. Ballerini to approve the January 2, 2018 meeting minutes. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Cino presented the bills list for January 16, 2018. A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and was seconded by Ms. Ballerini to approve the January 16, 2018 Bills Payable List in the amount of \$209,387.50. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

PLANNING AND ZONING ISSUES

There were no Planning and Zoning Issues.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Fonthill Settlement Agreement

Ms. Eberle noted that a Fonthill Settlement Agreement was on the agenda, but would like the Board to have additional time to review the provisions and suggested the matter be tabled. A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and was seconded by Dr. Ford to table consideration of a Fonthill Settlement Agreement. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Affirm EAC Chair

A motion was made by Dr. Ford and seconded by Ms. Nolan to affirm Bud Baldwin as Chair of the Environmental Advisory Council. Motion carried by a 4 to 1 vote, with Mr. Tierney voting in opposition.

Accept Resignation of Public Works Laborer

A motion was then made by Ms. Nolan and seconded by Ms. Ballerini to accept the resignation of Public Works Laborer Don McAnulty. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Works Department Permanent Full-Time Laborer

A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and seconded by Mr. Cino to hire Mark Wert as a full-time Public Works Laborer. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Works Department Part-Time Administrative Assistant

A motion was made by Ms. Ballerini and seconded by Ms. Nolan to hire Bonnie Bonner as the part-time Public Works Administrative Assistant for 20 hours/week. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Police Department Full-Time Police Officer

A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and seconded by Ms. Ballerini to hire Josh Kowalski as full-time police officer. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Public Works Equipment Purchases

Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Tierney and seconded by Dr. Ford to table consideration of the purchase of a 2018 Ford F150 pick-up truck, a 2018 International dump truck and the purchase of a Kaufman trailer until the next meeting. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Young noted that the Engineer's Report was in the Board's packets.

Ms. Nolan inquired about the status of the Public Works building addition. Mr. Young noted that the steel was being fabricated and that pouring the concrete footers would be weather dependent.

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

Mr. Cino announced that the following reports were included in the Board packets.

- Planning Commission – October 25, 2017

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Cino announced that the following department reports were included in the Board packets:

- Planning and Zoning Department
- Finance Department Report
- Fire Department Report
- Ambulance Report
- Fire Marshal Report
- Police Department Report
- Public Works Department Report

PUBLIC COMMENT

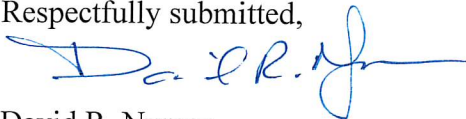
Dan Johansson, Washington Crossing, congratulated the new Board members, shared continued concerns regarding the road conditions along Route 532 previously addressed by PennDOT, but not satisfactorily, shared concerns regarding cyber security risks with specific security cameras manufactured in China and expressed concern that the new New Jersey governor might resurrect the issue of reciprocity because of state financial concerns.

Amy McClelland, Washington Crossing, announced a meeting on January 17, 2018 at 7:00 pm to be held at 1075 River Road to discuss maximizing community involvement in Washington Crossing.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and seconded by Ms. Ballerini to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Nyman
Township Manager

Approved: February 6, 2018