

Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors
February 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The February 18, 2022 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chair Tom Cino at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Board of Supervisors: Chair Tom Cino, Treasurer Tim Thomas, Member Yvette E. Taylor and Member Ben Weldon participated by telephone. Vice Chair Ed Ford was not present. Also in attendance were Township Manager David R. Nyman, Assistant Township Manager Judy Caporiccio, and Township Solicitor Mary Eberle, Esq.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Cino announced that Township offices will be closed on Monday, February 21 in observance of President's Day

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and was seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve the February 1, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Cino read into the record the bills for February 15, 2022. A motion was made by Ms. Taylor and was seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve the February 15, 2022 Bills Payable List in the amount of \$176,027.37. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

PLANNING & ZONING ISSUES

There were no Planning & Zoning issues.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ostaniewicz Solar Panel Installation, 1042 Washington Crossing Road

Ms. Eberle reported that the applicant has granted an extension of time for consideration of the proposed solar panel ground array until April 15, 2022. A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Ms. Taylor to acknowledge receipt of the extension for the Ostaniewicz Solar Panel request until April 15, 2022. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Resident Survey

Robert Rupp, Park & Recreation Board Chair, presented a draft electronic resident survey to gather community input on future park projects. Following discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Thomas to authorize distribution of the resident survey. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 2022-02-15-01 – Appointing Delegates to Tax Collection Committee

Mr. Nyman provided background on the resolution appointing delegates to Bucks County Tax Collection Committee. Mr. Weldon inquired about term lengths and discussion followed. A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve Resolution No. 2022-02-15-01 appointing delegates to the Tax Collection Committee for 2022. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Award of Bid – Welded Steel Water Storage Tank Maintenance Contract

Mr. Nyman provided an overview of the project. Discussion followed and a motion was made by Mr. Cino and seconded by Mr. Thomas to award the bid for the Welded Steel Water Storage Tank Five-Year

Maintenance Contract to Corrosion Control Corporation of Pedricktown, New Jersey in the amount of \$45,850.00. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bucks County Health Department West Nile Program

Mr. Nyman provided an overview of a letter received from the Bucks County Health Department requesting the Township's participation in their West Nile Virus Program. Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Ms. Taylor to authorize participation in the 2022 Bucks County Health Department West Nile Virus Program. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Works Laborer

A motion was made by Ms. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Thomas to hire Edward "Chip" Coff as a full-time Public Works Laborer. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 2022-2-15-02 – Establishing Traffic Advisory Committee

Mr. Nyman provided an overview of the resolution drafted by staff to establish a Traffic Advisory Committee per direction of the Board at the last meeting. Ms. Taylor suggested editing a phrase in Section I – Creation of Board; Membership by replacing "shall have experience ..." with "and if possible have experience" in fields which will assist in the projects assigned to the committee. Further discussion followed and a motion was made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve Resolution No. 2022-02-15-02 with the suggested edits. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

There was no Engineer's Report.

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

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

- Environmental Advisory Council – December 4, 2021 and December 14, 2021
- Planning Commission – October 27, 2021

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

- Planning & Zoning Department
- Finance Department
- Fire Departments
- Fire Marshal
- Police Department
- Public Works Department

Ms. Taylor expressed concern about the number of False Alarm calls responded to by the Fire Company.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and was seconded by Ms. Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Nyman
Township Manager

Approved: March 1, 2022