

Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors
April 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The April 19, 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, Vice Chair Ed Ford, Treasurer Tim Thomas, Member Yvette E. Taylor and Member Ben Weldon. Also in attendance were Assistant Township Manager Judy Caporiccio, Township Solicitor Mary Eberle, Esq., Township Engineer Larry Young and Planning & Zoning Director Denise Burmester.

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 made the following announcements:

- This Saturday, April 23 the EAC will join with other local municipalities for an Earth Day event at Core Creek Park from 11-2. Visitors will enjoy family-friendly activities while learning more about various environmental topics.
- The Upper Makefield Fire Company Carnival starts next week and runs from Tuesday, April 26 - Saturday, April 30 from 6 p.m.-10 p.m. daily at Washington Crossing Lower Park.
- Saturday, April 30 is National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Drop off unused medication at the Upper Makefield Police Department from 10-2 that day, or any weekday during business hours at a collection box located in the Police Building lobby.
- The next Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event is scheduled for May 7 at the Upper Bucks Area Vocational School in Perkasie. The event runs from 8:30-2:00, rain or shine. Visit BucksCounty.gov for more information.
- An executive session was held prior to this evening's meeting to consult with the Solicitor.
- Township Manager Dave Nyman was recognized for being honored in Harrisburg on April 13 by receiving the 2022 Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence. Senator Santarsiero and Representative Thomas also presented Mr. Nyman with Citations recognizing this honor at the ceremony. At tomorrow's meeting, Dave's achievement will be recognized by the County Commissioners.

Mr. Thomas thanked the Kiwanis Club and Mr. Cino for their participation in the collection of 17 bags of trash along Taylorsville Road and the Canal lot, and he thanked the Police and Public Works Departments for their assistance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jessica Sanders, 21 Longmeadow Drive, thanked Mr. Nyman and Ms. Eberle for meeting with neighbors of the winery to discuss their concerns and felt there has been good progress. The neighbors requested status on police noise monitors and expert witnesses at their next meeting with staff. Ms. Eberle then explained requirements and costs for expert court witnesses, which will be further discussed with neighbors at the upcoming meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and was seconded by Dr. Ford to approve the April 5, 2022 meeting minutes with an amendment to the name of the second to the motion for Investment Committee volunteer appointments. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Cino read into the record the bills list for April 19, 2022. A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and was seconded by Dr. Ford to approve the April 19, 2022 Bills Payable List in the amount of \$235,113.00. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

PLANNING & ZONING ISSUES

There were no Planning & Zoning Issues.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Sunoco Pipeline, LP Conditional Use Hearing

Mr. Cino called to order the Conditional Use Hearing of Sunoco Pipeline, LP related to the replacement of the pipeline within Zone 2 of the Riparian Buffer Overlay Zone at 7:47 p.m. A stenographer was present for the hearing. Ms. Eberle stated that the record would remain open for one week to allow the applicant to provide written answers to questions asked that could then be entered into the record. At 9:06 p.m., Mr. Cino closed the hearing.

Ms. Eberle then explained that the process for a Conditional Use allows the Board to deliberate in executive session and render a decision within 45 days.

ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT

Resolution No. 2022-04-19-01 – Addition to List of Noxious or Invasive Plants

Ms. Caporiccio provided background and an overview of the resolution adding Bradford Pear to the Township's list of noxious and invasive species as recommended by the EAC. Discussion followed and a motion was made by Dr. Ford and seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve Resolution No. 2022-04-19-01. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Traffic Advisory Committee Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Dr. Ford to appoint Mr. Cino as Supervisor Liaison to the Traffic Advisory Committee. Following discussion, motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Weldon to appoint Township Manager David Nyman to the Traffic Advisory Committee. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Board consensus was to reinstitute the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner and direct staff to begin the planning process.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

There was no Engineer's Report.

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

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

- Environmental Advisory Council – March 8, 2022
- Park & Recreation Board – January 10, 2022 and March 14, 2022
- Planning Commission – January 26, 2022

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Cino announced that the following department reports were provided:

- Planning & Zoning Department
- Finance Department
- Fire Departments

- Ambulance
- Fire Marshal
- Police Department
- Public Works Department

PUBLIC COMMENT

Priscilla Linden, 50 Dillon Way, suggested that a committee review where political signs can be safely placed and that agenda items are available for public review in advance.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Weldon and seconded by Dr. Ford to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Nyman
Township Manager
Approved: May 18, 2022