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**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE**  
**UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2016, 7:00 PM**  
**MEETING ROOM, 3735 - 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET ROAD**

Board of Supervisor's Chairman, Ross Walker, called the regular meeting of the Upper Burrell Township Supervisors to order at 7:00 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** The following members of Council responded to roll call:

**Present:**            **Ross G. Walker, III, Chairman**  
                          **Peter F. Dombroski, Jr. Vice Chairman**  
                          **Allen E. Uhler, Supervisor**

**Also present:**    George Hart, Engineer  
                          Melissa A. Cortileso, Secretary  
                          Stephen Yakopec, Solicitor

**COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS** – None

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion made by Walker, second by Dombroski, to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2016, regular meeting of the Township Supervisors.

Motion passed 3-0.

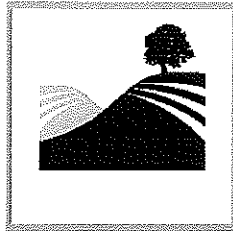
**CORRESPONDENCE**

Chairman Walker asked Mrs. Cortileso, to review the correspondence from the month. Mrs. Cortileso reviewed the items that were listed on the agenda.

**ROAD REPORT**

Supervisor Dombroski reviewed the activities of the Road Department for the month of May. Most of the time was spent patching. One and one half dumpsters were filled for Clean Up Days, very few tires and a lot of scrap metal (\$200.00). Mowing and patching will commence shortly.

**POLICE REPORT** – 86 calls, majority of the calls were traffic offenses.



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**EMC REPORT** - None

**ENGINEERS REPORT**

Mr. Hart stated that the fieldwork for the Long Range Paving Plan has been completed and they are putting it all together for reporting. Mr. Hart stated they are working with Russell Standard on the seal coating on Myers Drive. Whitten Hollow Project is in the drafting and design phase. Still waiting on 1 income survey for the Lincoln Beach Drainage Project.

**PLANNING COMMISSION** – None

**SOLICITORS REPORT** – None

A motion was made by Uhler second by Walker, to have Lisa Marucci, Environmental Integrity Project, come and give a presentation base on facts obtained from the PA DEP public files as well as some of the regularly statues that govern oil and gas permitting and enforcement.

Motion passed 3 – 0

Ron Slabe asked if this was something that Supervisor Walker should recuse himself from. The Solicitor replied no this is just for an informational presentation.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler, with regrets to accept the resignation of Part Time Patrolman, Jason Kerr.

Motion passed 3 – 0

A motion was made by Walker, second by Uhler, to have the Department of Veteran Affairs come and put on a presentation to the community Veterans and their dependents.

Motion passed 3 – 0

A motion was made by Dombroski , second by Walker to have the Engineer advertise to have Myers Drive seal coated once they get all the information in order.

Motion passed 3 – 0

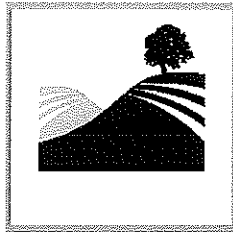
A motion was made by Uhler second by Walker, to pay all bills and accept the Financial Report.

Motion passed 3 – 0

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR**

Mike Beattie, 6205 Schafer Drive, inquired about the police activity near his home. Supervisor Uhler replied he would need to speak to the Police Chief.

Ron Slabe, 516 Angelcrest Drive, asked if the Supervisors had time to read his letter from last month and if they had comments. Walker stated he is about at the end of discussions. Walker stated during the PA DEP presentation he asked the representative from the PA DEP if the 500' setback was adequate.



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Mr. Slabe stated also adequate not doing his job. Mr. Slabe stated certainly would have fined a lot of people within 500' at the Green Co. incident.

Ken Slahtovksy, 6200 Schafer Drive, asked why the issue with Walker voting. Walker stated he can vote on any issue on Oil and Gas as long as it does not affect him or his family financially. The Solicitor went on to quote from an opinion he wrote in regards to this issue. Mr. Slabe stated that in Ligonier Township the ethics ruling was found to be inconclusive, in fact he expects the PA Ethics Commission to rule in Walkers favor. However, in Mr. Slabe's opinion Walker should still recuse himself.

George Richard, 350 Hunter Hill Road, asked if the Township had hired a Part Time Employee yet? Dombroski stated we are working on getting a person hired. Richard stated better move on this summer will be over soon and the guys will be taking vacation.

Shannon Wagner, Superintendent Burrell School District, on behalf of the Board of Directors, stated they are having some trouble with the budget and she was here to make an official request asking the Supervisors with help paying for the School Resource Officer. As of the now the School pays 70% and the City of Lower Burrell pays 30% and asking for some help with this. Walker stated some municipalities pay 50%. Ms. Wagner went on to present different scenarios as to how the funds could come about from raising taxes, to hiring a School Police Officer vs. a School Resource Officer, however she would choose the route of SRO due to the relationship the students have now with the current SRO, John Marhefka. Ms. Wagner stated there are about 1779 students and around 249 of those students do reside in Upper Burrell. Supervisor Uhler asked about obtaining grants for the SRO. Ms. Wagner replied they have received grants from the PA Department of Education the first for \$60,000 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> for \$30,000 in October they will apply again.

Jim Minford, 6026 Schafer Drive, stated he was in the first class to graduate from Burrell. He pledges half of his first royalty check to the school.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Walker, second by Dombroski, to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by:  
Melissa A. Cortileso

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Next monthly meeting, will be held on Wednesday, August 3, 2016 beginning at 7:00 pm