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**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE**  
**UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS**  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2017**  
**MEETING ROOM, 3735 - 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET ROAD**

Board of Supervisors, 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, Vice Chairman**  
                          **Allen E. Uhler, Supervisor**

**Also present:** David Kerchner, Engineer  
                          Melissa A. Cortilesio, Secretary  
                          Stephen Yakopec, Solicitor

**OPENING OF BIDS – None**

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR –**

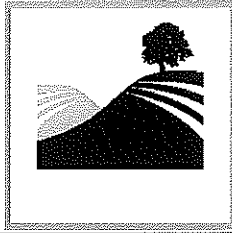
Leon Yurkin, 3603 Baxter Drive, asked about the correspondence dealing with the Elected Auditor. He asked why Mr. Fitch could not fill the position. Walker replied that Mr. Fitch does not reside in Upper Burrell Township.

Leon Yurkin asked about the Act 14 Notice received about the Zeus Fresh Water Impoundment. He asked if any of the board members the presentation given quite a while back by Mike Hildebrand, which Mr. Hildebrand stated that no more freshwater will be used only still water. Jen Hoffman from Huntley & Huntley stated there are 2 different types and this will be freshwater only the other puts flowback into it and they do not use that. Ms. Hoffman stated that the PADEP has a list of parameters to meet freshwater standards, this would be drinkable and potable water no chemicals added.

John Kosmal, 3524 Milligantown Road, asked about the tractor trailer trucks holding the water. Ms. Hoffman referred to those as frack tanks, and stated that for the first two (2) wells they will be probably being using those kinds of tanks due to the freshwater not in place right of way. Ms. Hoffman stated the produced water goes into the frack tanks not back into the freshwater.

Leon Yurkin, asked when do the chemicals get added? Ms. Hoffman stated at the well head when they begin to frack.

Supervisor Uhler asked about the 3.6 mile pipeline, Porter to Zeus. Ms. Hoffman stated the Act 14 notices just got sent to the Agency. Uhler asked will you go thru people's properties? Ms. Hoffman



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stated yes, we will have all the proper paperwork signed. Uhler asked will there be any eminent domain? Ms. Hoffman stated no. Leon Yurkin stated he believed it was going to be a 12' line.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion made by Walker, second by Uhler to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2017, 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 reported that the majority of time was spent on cutting up dead Ash trees that fell, ditch cleaning and patching. Dombroski stated that the Peterbuilt truck is back from being repaired, however there are some wiring issues which are being repaired.

A motion was made by Dombroski second by Walker to transfer \$100,000 from the General Fund into the Capital Fund for future maintenance and repair of roads.

Motion passed 3 – 0

Dombroski wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

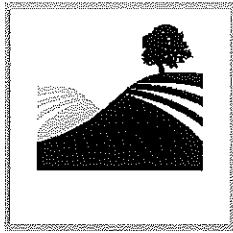
**POLICE REPORT** – 73 calls for the month, mostly fraud complaints. Chief Pate reminded everyone that while out shopping during the holiday season to keep your wallets and purses secured. Chief Pate thanked the Board of Supervisors for allowing the Police Department to be able to provide manpower to New Kensington Police Department during their time of grievance. Walker thanked the Chief for doing so.

Chief Pate stated there are some personnel issues, he does foresee some part time officers resigning due to securing full time positions, so he will be hiring. Walker asked what was the worst offense for the month? Chief Pate replied as always the chasing of the thefts. Pate stated November has been a slow month but the criminal arrests are up from last year.

**EMC REPORT -**

Dave Knox reported that Westmoreland County has a lot of training going on and he did attend the Winter Storm Exercise. Mr. Knox stated the county is looking at a program called Code Red, which allows you to receive Code Red notices on your cellular device anywhere you may be within 25 miles of the Code Red area. Mr. Knox stated the county is getting ready to spec out a new emergency command vehicle.

Mr. Knox informed residents of a scam going on right now by a female who impersonates herself as a postal worker, wearing a postal jacket, and she replaces the packages received with empty boxes. Mr. Knox also thanked the Police Department with all of the help provided to the City of New Kensington during their time of grief, made him very proud to be a citizen of our community.



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### **ENGINEERS REPORT**

Mr. Kerchner stated that a little while back he was authorized to do a traffic study in the Industrial Park to see if two (2) stops signs were needed at the intersections on Myles and Hunt Valley. Said study did not meet the criteria of having these two signs installed. Kerchner stated that after discussions with the Police Chief, the Chief felt these two signs were needed, it would make the intersection safer and with the new construction in the park this will only add more traffic. Kerchner stated that within these guidelines it does allow for the community to make its own decision on whether the signs are needed.

Mr. Kerchner recommend that the Solicitor prepare an Ordinance to add these two (2) stop signs to the intersection.

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to have the Solicitor prepare said Ordinance to have these two stop signs added.

Motion passed 3 – 0

Mr. Kerchner stated that on Friday, December 15, 2017 there will be a preconstruction meeting on Menk Road for cross drain replacement project.

Mr. Kerchner stated as for the correspondence in regards to the Bethesda & Guyer Road improvements. He did receive a plan from Civil and Environmental Consultants, stating there are installing 6” depth from the edge of the road in and 2” overlay over the road and cleaning out the trenches and a temporary bridge will be placed over the culvert area on Bethesda Road, due to Mr. Kerchner thinking the culver would not be able to withstand the weight of the vehicles. Mr. Kerchner stated the bond is still in place and a post inspection of the roads will be done.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION – None**

### **SOLICITORS REPORT –**

Solicitor Yakopec reported that on UBCAMP did take an appeal on the Conditional Use decision, stating reason being is drilling is not compatible. Yakopec stated that Plum just passed an Ordinance which allows drilling in the Industrial and RA zones.

Yakopec stated that on 11/15/2017 he was in court to argue the Leed’s case, he is waiting the judges decision.

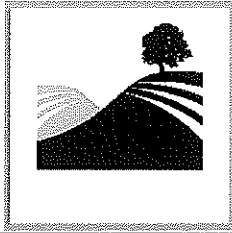
### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to adopt the 2018 General Budget and the budgets for the special funds. Resolution #9-2017.

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to set and advertise the date for Annual Organizational Meeting for January 2018, which will be held on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 beginning at 7:00 pm.

Motion passed 3 – 0



A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to set and advertise the date for the Annual Auditor's meeting for January 2018, which will be held on Wednesday, January 3, 2018 beginning at 2:30 pm.

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler pass a resolution to "opt" out of Act 42 of 2017, which grants municipalities the authority to prohibit the location of a satellite casino within the limits of the municipality. Resolution #10-2017

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to send a Township Official to attend the preparedness exercise being held on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 from 8:00 am - 4:40 pm, that is being conducted by Huntley & Huntley Energy Exploration.

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to hire the following individuals as Part Time Patrolman for the Township. Marla Matis, Chad Shoupe, Jerry Hobeck, Zachary Chamblee.

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to appoint Jodi Conley to fill the position of Elected Auditor for a six year period which is set to expire on December 31, 2023.

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 -**

Dave Knox, 1307 Oak Lake Road, asked about if the bond was still in place for 385 Willowbrook Drive that has submitted by Consol Energy. Mr. Kerchner stated that Huntley & Huntley will have reestablish a new bond.

Supervisor Uhler asked, will there be any compressor stations located at the Upper Burrell and Allegheny Township well sites? Jen Hoffman replied no.

Supervisor Walker thanked Supervisor Uhler for his six (6) years of service.

Supervisor Uhler thanked the residents for allowing him the privilege to serve the community.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Walker, second by Dombroski to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Melissa A. Cortilesio,

Note\*\*\* Next monthly meeting, will be held on February 7, 2018 beginning at 7:00 pm