

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017
MEETING ROOM, 3735 - 7TH 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. Cortileso, Secretary
 Stephen Yakopec, Solicitor

OPENING OF BIDS – None

OPEN TO THE FLOOR –

Cari Armstrong, 260 Upper Drennen Road, asked under new business what all the motions to transfer funds was for.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion made by Walker, second by Dombroski to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2017, regular meeting of the Township Supervisors.

Motion passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

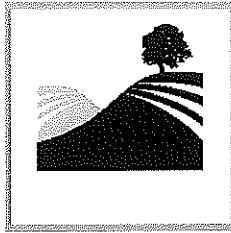
Chairman Walker asked Mrs. Cortileso, to review the correspondence from the month. Mrs. Cortileso reviewed the items that were listed on the agenda.

ROAD REPORT –

Supervisor Dombroski reported that a lot of the time was spent placing the millings along Myles, Alvin and Prominence Drives along the berm. Placed rip rap where the two culverts were repaired. A couch and chair were dumped along Mosaic Blvd. and two signs were lost due to damage.

Supervisor Dombroski stated he received four different quotes for the repairs on the Peterbuilt Truck.

POLICE REPORT – No report.



EMC REPORT -

Dave Knox reported that on 9/27/2017 he attended the County meeting and on the same day an emergency alert was done to test the systems. On 10/19/2017, Mr. Knox plans to attend the North East Shake Out Activity Drill, this covers 13 counties and he did register Upper Burrell and he will participate in this drill. Mr. Knox stated that the NIMS is updated and Mr. Knox stated that right now the county received tons of grant monies and he urged the volunteer fire department to apply.

ENGINEERS REPORT

Mr. Kerchner reported that he has no update on the CDBG funds for the 2017 round.

Mr. Kerchner reported that the 2018 CDBG application was submitted on 9/25/2017 for paving which will coincide with the drainage project with the 2017 CDBG application.

Mr. Kerchner reported that they are preparing an application for the Low Volume Road Program and this would be to replace two culver pipes at the base of Hunter Hill Road.

Mr. Kerchner stated that the cross drain project is getting starting with the easements and the low bidders experience and equipment has checked out. Mr. Kerchner recommend that the cross drain project be awarded to North Rock Construction in the amount of \$63,950.00. Mr. Kerchner stated that need to have the cross drains repaired first on Menk Road before any paving.

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to award the 2017 Cross Drain Project to North Rock Construction in the amount of \$63,950.00.

Motion passed 3 – 0

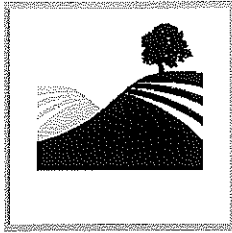
PLANNING COMMISSION – None

SOLICITORS REPORT –

Solicitor Yakopec stated he is preparing for court on the Marcellus Shale Ordinance which is to take place in the Court of Common Please, October 16 – 18, 2017.

Ron Slabe asked the Solicitor who are the expert witnesses for the Township? The Solicitor replied, we do not have any, these experts will be provided by Huntley & Huntley Energy Exploration, LLC. The Solicitor replied he believes the experts are, Professor Pfifer, PSU Law School and Mr. Long, he has not yet dissected these reports.

Ron Slabe asked, why is the Township not providing expert witnesses? The Solicitor replied it would drive up the cost to the taxpayers and it would be redundant when these witnesses are being provided for by Huntley & Huntley, which holds the same stance as the Township on this issue. Mr. Slabe stated your working hand –n- glove with the Huntley & Huntley. Mr. Slabe asked, how are you protecting the residents to clean air etc.? Solicitor Yakopec replied the Industry is taking the same stand, that the Ordinance is not unconstitutional and believe that the Township is upholding the Constitution and does



not allow drilling in the R1, R2 R3 and R4 areas. The municipal planning code state you must make provisions for this and that is why we allow drilling in the Industrial and RA zoned areas.

Mr. Slabe stated that before any drilling would begin he would like an Environmental Impact Study done. Yakopec replied the case will determine it. Mr. Slabe stated I have provided countless university studies and medical studies and it is you who has to live with it on your conscious.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to transfer the police capital purchase line item from the General Fund into the Capital Fund in the month of December 2017.

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to transfer the police radio replace line item from the General Fund into the Capital Fund in the month of December 2017.

Motion passed 3 – 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to transfer the Highway & Street capital purchase line item from the General Fund into the Capital Fund in the month of December 2017.

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to transfer the employee health contributions from the Payroll fund into the General Fund in the month of December 2017.

Motion passed 3 – 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to transfer the highway repair paving line item from the General Fund into the Capital Fund in the month of December 2017.

Motion passed 3 – 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to transfer line item 01-491-100 (LST) from the General Fund into the LST Tax Suit Account.

Motion passed 3 - 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to assign the address to Dale Fleming as per Westmoreland County 911 Addressing Agency, said address will be 7177 Guyer Road.

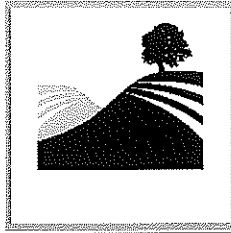
Motion passed 3 – 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Dombroski to reimburse Arconic, \$310.86 in Real Estate Taxes and \$11.10 in Fire Hydrant Taxes for catastrophic loss on a property.

Motion passed 3 – 0

A motion was made by Walker second by Uhler to have Zambotti Collision & Welding Center make the necessary repairs to the 2001 Peterbuilt truck in the amount of \$17,500.00.

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 –

Ron Slabe, 516 Angelcrest Drive, asked what is the peterbuilt? Walker stated it is the big truck that the Road Department uses, a few year back the township spent the extra money to get a better truck and it has served the township faithfully for 16 years. Dombroski stated the body of the truck is aluminum and the frame is steel. To buy a new truck would be double the price now then what the township paid years back, so it was decided to have it repaired. The truck should only be down a few weeks. There were four quotes received.

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| Hunter Truck Sales | \$ 34,000 |
| Clyde's Auto | \$ 24,500 |
| Ron's Welding | could do it but does not have the time |
| Zambotti | \$ 17,500 |

Zambotti could be more, but this is what they do and they work on Tri County Mack's vehicles, they seem to be very knowledgeable.

Ted Beatty, stated that in order for him to be able to run a 2" water line to his home on Kelly Lane, he needs a letter from the Township stating this OK and that a fire hydrant is not needed. Walker stated whatever you need, this issue was turned over to the Solicitor who stated he will contact the New Kensington Water Authority.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Walker, second by Dombroski to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Melissa A. Cortilesio,

Note*** Next monthly meeting, will be held on December 6, 2017, beginning at 7:00 pm

**UPPER BURRELL TOWNSHIP
BUDGET MEETING
3735 SEVENTH STREET
NEW KENSINGTON, PA 15068
OCTOBER 18, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Ross G. Walker, III, with the Pledge of Allegiance at 11:00 A.M. Present at this meeting were Supervisor's, Peter Dombroski , Allen Uhler, Secretary, Melissa Cortilesio and Police Chief Kenneth Pate.

DISCUSS 2018 BUDGET

A budget work session of the Board of Supervisors of Upper Burrell Township was held on October 18, 2017. The Board of Supervisors discussed the proposed 2018 Budget. After reviewing the proposed revenues and proposing the anticipated expenses the Board decided that they arrived at a balanced budget.

After some discussion it was determined that a third full time employee is needed for the Road Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Walker made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Dombroski second. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Cortilesio, Secretary