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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 2021  
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 -**  
                          **Michael P. Conley, Vice Chairman – Arrived late at 7:26 pm**  
                          **Kenneth R. Slahtovsky, Supervisor**

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

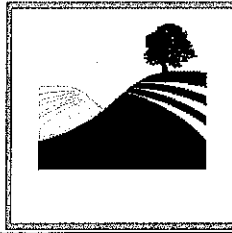
**OPENING OF BIDS – None**

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR –**

Bruce Saye, 136 Lower Drennen Road, spoke about the major water runoff from Route 780 down onto Lower Drennen Road. Mr. Saye is even more concerned now once the construction of the new Dollar General starts. Dave Kerchner stated that now that PennDot has fixed the storm sewer and it is working properly, it would make sense that more water would now be flowing down the road. Mr. Saye said it's to the point where it is washing away his sandbags and gravel. Kerchner stated that as part of the stipulations for the development PennDot had to do the clean out. Kerchner stated that previously the Conservation District had been there to look at this issue. Walker asked Kerchner to please reach out to the Conservation District again to look at this issue.

Mr. Saye feels a lot of this water is coming from the Fire Department. Allen Uhler stated that there is a mounted basin at the Fire Department entrance which is not catching any water the water just runs right past it and the basin above Shrock's is collapsed. Mr. Saye stated the stone which was placed late last week has already washed away.

George Richard, 350 Hunter Hill Road, stated the pipes under Hunter Hill Road need replaced. Mr. Richard stated are there any future plans to try and reapply for the grant monies for the project that has since been turned down. Kerchner stated yes when the application opens back up they can reapply.



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**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion made by Walker, second by Slahtovsky to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2021, regular meeting. Motion passed 2-0.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

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

**ROAD REPORT** – Supervisor Slahtovsky reported that most of the time spent was patching and storm clean up and that mowing has started.

**POLICE REPORT** – 134 total calls. Chief Pate stated things are picking back up due to things starting to return back to normal. Chief reminded residents once again to not give out any personal information out over the phone, the newest scam is now Workmen’s Compensation claims. Chief stated he will get the lines painted in Lincoln Beach next week.

**EMC REPORT** – None

**ENGINEERS REPORT** – Dave Kerchner reported the following:

Kerchner recommended passing a resolution for grant funds for the Lower Drennen Road slides. Two slides threaten the area and could possible close the road. This would be a 100% grant from the CFA no match is required from the Township.

A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to pass Resolution #11-2021, that the Upper Burrell Township of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, hereby request a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant of \$246,200 from the Commonwealth Financing Agency to be used for the Lower Drennen Road Slide Repair Project. Comment on the floor – None. Motion passed 2 – 0.

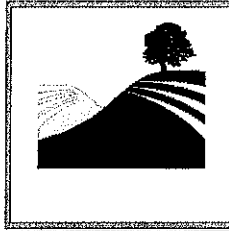
**PLANNING COMMISSION**

Nonn Subdivision

Todd and Olga Nonn presented a sketch plan of their overall property on both sides of the Lower Drennen Road. After a discussion it was suggested that they could subdivide their property to include three additional parcels. Todd Nonn plans to build a house on one of the parcels and is trying to first determine the best location for a septic system. They plan to confer with a surveyor to develop the subdivision plan.

Dollar General Store

Amy Cromie, a local resident, has viewed the latest drawings for the Dollar General site and noted that a holding tank for building sewage was shown on the plan. Tom O’Brien said that he had seen correspondence from the engineer that said that although shown the holding tank was meant for future construction if needed and will not be built at this time. Tom check with Dave Kerchner of Bankson and he confirmed that the holding tank will not be built initially.



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Amy also noted that the proposed fence along the back of the building showed a gate. She thought there should not be that access to the adjacent properties. The Commission did not know why the gate is proposed but will check on this with the engineer.

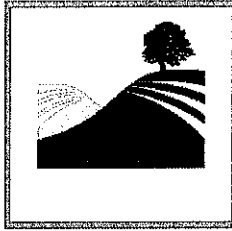
**SOLICITORS REPORT – None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to transfer funds from Police Line Item Sgt. Salary and create a new line item Police Full Time Officer retroactive to June 1, 2021. Motion passed 2 – 0.
- B. A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to hire Dylan Slahtovsky for Part Time Summer Help with the Road Department at \$15.00/ hrly. Retroactive to June 1, 2021. Motion passed 2 – 0. Slahtovsky abstained.
- C. A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to approve the final payment to Independent Contractors in the amount of \$3,327.12, for the paving work completed in Lincoln Beach using the CDBG funds for payment. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- D. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to exonerate Joyce Ewing, Tax Collector from collection of the 348 Total Uncollected 2020-2021 Per Capita items. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- E. A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to grant the request to the Westmoreland County Election Bureau, for use of the Township Building as a polling location for the November 2, 2021, Municipal Election. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- F. A motion was made by Conley second by Walker to pay and ratify all the bills and accept the financial report for the month of June 2021. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- G. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to pay Youngblood Paving, in the amount of \$33,890.30 for Payment No. 1, Contract No. 20-1, for Chapeldale & Dove Drive Grade Adjustments and Paving Repairs, paying from the Capital Fund, Line Item, Reserved for Future Maintenance of Repairs and Road.

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR –**

Keitha White, 282 Mosaic Blvd., stated that coming up Washington Blvd., on the left side of the hill a lot of people are parking in the ditch along the road. Mrs. White stated that more lighting is needed, it is pitch black at the very top. Mrs. White stated the police have been patrolling but the cars keep coming back. Mrs. White also stated that a stop sign is needed at the intersection of Alta & Lincoln Blvd., she stated that to turn left you cannot see. Kerchner stated that a traffic study would need to be conducted



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to see if the area meets all of PennDot conditions for a stop sign. Kerchner asked the Police Chief if he still had the counter. The Chief replied he did, but stated he was not certain so much if the count of cars is as important as to the concern of accidents in the area. Brock White, asked if the road comes to T, is there any kind of requirement that someone should stop. Chester Lockwood, asked what about a Yield Sign, does that still require a traffic study? Kerchner stated he would look into this.

After some more discussion took place as to whether or not the lights need replaced. Walker asked Mrs. White to reach out West Penn Power and if she did not get any answers to then let the Township know and they will see what if anything they can get done.

George Richard, 350 Hunter Hill Road, asked if the hiring of the Part Time Summer Helper will now have a 4 man crew running for the summer. Conley stated that no, as of July 22, 2021, Conley will be off work for 6-8 weeks for a knee replacement surgery.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Walker, second by Conley to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Melissa A. Cortileo,

Note\*\*\* Next monthly meeting, will be held on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, beginning at 7:00 p.m.