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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022  
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 - Absent**  
                             **Kenneth R. Slahtovsky, Supervisor**

**Also present:**    Michael Moore, Engineer  
                             Melissa A. Cortileso, Secretary  
                             Steve Yakopec, Solicitor

**OPENING OF BIDS** – None

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR** – None

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion made by Walker, second by Slahtovsky to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2022, regular meeting and October 21, 2022 Budget Meeting. Motion passed 2-0.

**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 Slahtovsky reported most of the time was spent making repairs on Michael Drive and Guyer Road and cleaning up all the storm debris.

**POLICE REPORT** – Chief Pate reported there were 120 calls for the month of October. Chief Pate stated there have been a lot of thefts, he reminded residents to please make sure they lock their vehicles and if they see any suspicious activity to please call 911. The Chief stated they will be doing their annual MOPEC training next month at IUP.

Chester Lockwood, 4425 – 7<sup>th</sup> Street, asked the for the Chief's opinion as to whether not he felt it was necessary that the officers wear cameras. The Chief replied yes, there is a time a place and once the



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DOJ makes it mandatory they will probably have a program to help pay for the costs and he will then sit down with the Supervisors. The Chief stated the prices are coming down and the biggest cost is that the system will need to operate on its own dedicated server as per State Police standards.

**EMC REPORT – None**

**ENGINEERS REPORT –**

Michael Moore stated he they will be issuing the notice to proceed work order for the guiderail project.

**PLANNING COMMISSION –**

Demharter Consolidation Plan

Mr. & Mrs. Demharter attended the meeting. After understanding the right of way agreement, the Brian Holmes property is not land locked. Motion to approve the Demharter Plan was made by Rick Ryan seconded by Chester Lockwood and all were in favor.

Olympus Energy Presentation on Hephaestus Well Pad

Seven employees from Olympus Energy attended the meeting. A presentation on the Hephaestus Well Pad off of Merwin Road was given. There were many questions about the well pad and the pipeline from Selene Well Pad to the Hephaestus Well Pad. Time line for construction will be March 2023. Drilling may start around January 2025. Olympus will make improvements on Merwin Road.

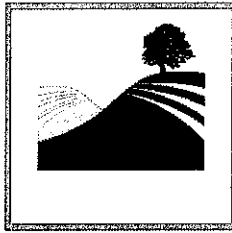
A motion was made by Chester Lockwood to approve the Conditional Use Application contingent upon Bankson Engineers letter dated October 14, 2022 being met seconded by Rick Ryan and all were in favor.

**SOLICITORS REPORT –**

Solicitor Yakopec stated that the conditional use hearing for the proposed Hephaestus Well Pad will follow after the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to have Bankson Engineers apply for two Dirt and Gravel Low Volume Road Funding Applications through the Westmoreland Conservation District – Hunter Hill Road 36" Cross Drain Replacement and Whitten Hollow Road Asphalt Surface Treatment. Motion passed 2 – 0.
- B. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to authorize the advertisement of the 2023 General Budget and that the Budget is available for inspection. Motion passed 2 – 0.
- C. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to appoint Dennis Matto to the Planning Commission to fill the vacant seat left by Dan Hosac. Motion passed 2 – 0.



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- D. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to accept letters of interest for the upcoming vacant seats on Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board beginning January 1, 2023. Motion passed 2 – 0.
  - E. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to approve the Demharter Consolidation Plan. Motion passed 2 – 0.
  - F. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to approve the 4 year collective bargaining agreement for the Road Department. Motion passed 2 – 0.
  - G. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to grant the \$2,700.00 allocation request to the Recreation Committee for the 2022 Senior Citizens Holiday Sit Down Dinner Celebration. Motion passed 2 – 0.
  - H. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to pay and ratify all the bills and accept the financial report for the month of October, 2022. Motion passed 2 – 0.

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR**

Marcella Moore, 107 Lincoln Blvd., asked if outside police agencies are allowed to just come into the township without notification. Chief Pate replied yes, and that particular incident was a foot pursuit for a person being conducted by the Attorney General's Office.

James Moore, 94 Lincoln Blvd., stated he did not sign the proposed Lincoln Beach park lease and he will not sign it. Moore stating in the beginning of talks the township originally had agreed to just donate the property. Moore stated this has now changed to wanting a 20 year lease signed and also he would be responsible for having to take care of the road and any structures that would be erected on the park property would need approval.

Sigrid Moore, 214 Mosaic Blvd., stated that the road department did come down and trim the tree back, but Moore wanted to know why they did not cut it down further. Slahtovsky stated he will inquire about the tree with the road department.

Milton Pitts, stated in regards to the park lease, Pitts requested that all parties sit down and have a meeting. Walker stated he will get it set up.

Dan Myers, 200 Barnview Drive, asked about the barking dog ordinance the Police Chief asked about last month. Solicitor Yakopec stated he was not authorized at the last meeting to prepare an Ordinance.



A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to have the solicitor prepare and advertise a barking dog ordinance. Motion of the floor – no comment - Motion passed 2 – 0.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Melissa A. Cortileso,

Note\*\*\* Next monthly meeting, will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, beginning at 7:00 pm.