

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2023
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**
 Michael P. Conley, Vice Chairman
 Kenneth R. Slahtovsky, Supervisor

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

OPENING OF BIDS – None

OPEN TO THE FLOOR –

Dan Myers, 200 Barnview Drive, stated that the June meeting minutes did not reflect that the solicitor stated that he could not get a copy of the Lincoln Beach Park Sales Agreement until it was signed. The solicitor stated that was correct and under the Right To Know Law you do not have to turn it over until it is signed, however the board stated that anyone could have a copy.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES -

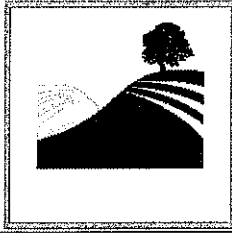
Motion made by Walker, second by Slahtovsky to approve the minutes of the July regular meeting.
Motion passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE -

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

ROAD REPORT -

Supervisor Slahtovsky reported that the mowing was wrapping up and the maintenance on the roads will begin. Slahtovsky stated the Olympus Energy did some paving repairs on Guyer Road from Milligantown Road, a mill and overlay on Guyer and Laing Roads about 150' in each direction and ¼" paving on Baxter Drive these were all problem areas for the Road Department.



POLICE REPORT -

Chief Pate reported 85 calls for the month. The Chief stated the department did lose one part time patrolman and the department is in the process of replacing him. Chief Pate stated lines were painted on Schafer Drive and Delberta Road. It was asked by Joyce Ewing how many officers does the township have. Chief replied 3. Ewing asked about Officer Bartrug leaving the department. Chief replied that will be retroactive next month.

George Richard, 350 Hunter Hill Road, asked who covers the township when the township department is not on. Chief replied the State Police.

Dan Myers, 200 Barnview Drive, asked how many calls the State Police answered. Chief replied 4 out of the 85 calls. Myers asked with Officer Bartrug gone how many officer are there. Chief replied 2 and looking to get Officer Bartrug replaced.

EMC REPORT – None

ENGINEERS REPORT –

Michael Moore stated he has the pay request for West Penn Paving, LLC, for the Hillview Drive 1 ½ “ thick WMA 9.5 MM Wearing course – Contract 23-1 in the amount of \$2,562.17, contingent upon receiving the final paperwork. Supervisor Slahtovsky asked if this is the amount that was withheld and Moore stated yes it and also the final payment.

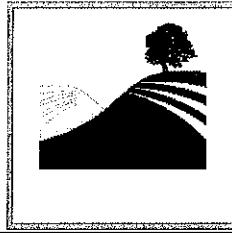
PLANNING COMMISSION --

Alcoa Technical Center, LLC – Land Development

Steve Caruso and Brian Taylor presented a site plan for a 5,100 square foot building addition to Alcoa’s facility along White Cloud Road. Bankson Engineers have reviewed the plans and indicated in their letter dated July 17, 2023, that they recommend approval of the plans contingent on getting Stormwater Permit from Westmoreland County and a Township Grading Permit. After a discussion, Chester Lockwood moved to approve the plan contingent on the above items being completed, seconded by Dennis Matto and all were in favor.

Mataldi/Fassinger Lot Line Revision

No one was in attendance to represent this plan revision. The two parcels are situated on the south side of Upper Drennen Road. Mr. Mataldi would like to convey a 0.79 acre parcel of land to his neighbor Scott Fassinger which will be combined with this existing land. The plan has been reviewed by Bankson Engineers and indicated in their letter dated July 17, 2023 they have no negative comments. After a discussion Dennis Matto moved to approve the plan, seconded by Chester Lockwood and all were in favor.



ZONING HEARING BOARD –

Received the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law regarding the Application for Variance of Austin Schafer for property designated 62-02-00-0-107/Schafer Road. There were 17 Findings of Facts and 13 Conclusion of Law. Final conclusion stated based upon foregoing, and for all the above reasons, the Board voted unanimously to Deny the Application for a Variance at the public hearing held May 30, 2023.

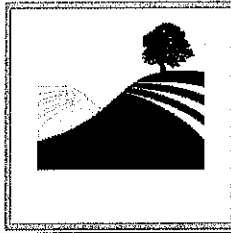
Dan Myers, 200 Barnview Drive asked the Supervisors what are the next steps they plan to take against the property located on Schafer Drive. Myers stated the building should not be there and you can't ignore this. Walker stated that the owner has applied for an on-lot sewage permit. Myers stated this is a storage building and is not allowed. Walker stated the owner is taking care of things and has applied to get his PERC test done. Walker stated he did not like Myers tone and that he could sit down. Supervisor Conley stated the owner has the PERC test scheduled for August 7, 2023, and once completed he will then submit his house plans. Conley stated he is not here to destroy any resident and trying to help him if the PERC test does not work out then will figure out the next step. Walker stated in all the years of the Zoning Hearing Board no resident has ever been turned down. Myers stated he follows the rules.

SOLICITORS REPORT –

Solicitor Yakopec stated he does not have a signed agreement for the Lincoln Beach Park Area. Solicitor Yakopec cited Section 706 of the PA Statue which contains what the meeting minutes include and the minutes do not have to be verbatim.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to send a letter of support to Comcast to attach to the application for broadband service to unserved locations in the township. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- B. A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to approve the Alcoa Land Development Plan – 5,100 s.f. building addition contingent upon getting a stormwater permit from Westmoreland County and a Township Grading Permit. Michael Moore stated they did receive all items. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- C. A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to approve the Mataldi/Fassinger Lot Line Revision – 0.79 acres Mataldi is conveying to Fassinger. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- D. A motion was made by Walker second by Slahtovsky to approve the pay request from West Penn Paving in the amount of \$2,562.17 contingent upon receipt of final paperwork. Motion passed 3 – 0.



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- E. A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to accept with regrets the letter of resignation from Part Time Patrolman, Dave Twidwell. Motion passed 3 – 0.
 - F. A motion was made by Conley seconded by Walker to pay all the bills and accept the financial report for the month of July 2023.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Keitha White, 282 Mosaice Blvd., asked about the sales contract for the Lincoln Beach Park Area with the church. White stated she discussed this with a real estate attorney and she does have questions about the agreement. White presented a list of questions to the board. Solicitor Yakopec stated he will review and address her questions.

Mike Seefeld, 3443 – 7th Street Road, stated that the Union Barn has finally opened up for business. Seefeld stated that at the July meeting there was discussion about the demolition of the farm house that is located on the property. Seefeld stated the house will not be torn down and it is also a historical home.

Chester Lockwood, 4425 – 7th Street Road, stated again about the high grass on the Dewey Road side of the Dollar General store and also the pine tree that needs cleaned up.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Melissa A. Cortilesio,

Note*** Next monthly meeting, will be held on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, beginning at 7:00 pm.