

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2024
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 – None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES -

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

Motion made by Walker, seconded by Conley to approve the Special Public Meeting of July 18th, 2024.
Motion passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE -

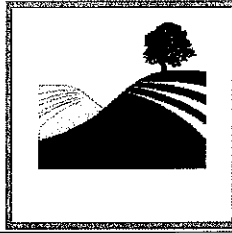
Chairman Walker asked Mrs. Cortilesio, to review the correspondence from the month.

ROAD REPORT -

Supervisor Slahtovsky reported most of the time was spent patching and cleaning up storm debris. Slahtovsky stated that the work on Merwin Road has been completed and that a good job was done.

POLICE REPORT -

Chief Pate reported there were 68 calls for the month of July. The Chief stated he did receive the funds for the purchase of the new tasers and expects delivery in September. The Chief stated that the old tasers can be sold to another company. Chief reported that the department has been running speed on



Greensburg Road and the PennDot has agreed to do and pay for the traffic study in that area to lower the speed limit from 55 mph to 45 mph. The Chief stated they did do a study back in 2015 will have to wait to see if they say yes or no.

Dan Hosac, 1301 Menk Road asked if the study was to raise or lower the speed limit. Chief Pate replied to lower the speed limit to 45 mph to be inline with Murrysville and Plum and install some signage. Chief stated the issue is when the 2 lines merge into 1 lane and the vehicles are trying to pass the large trucks. The Chief stated this is a process and will not happen overnight, traffic and speed will be counted.

Dan Myers, 200 Barnview Drive if the department has any new recruits. Chief Pate stated the township is currently in contact with the Pension Department and with a new full-time officer comes benefits, etc. have see what the pension department says. Supervisor Walker asked if all of 68 calls for the month were 911 calls. Chief Pate replied yes along with walk ins.

EMC REPORT –

David Knox reported that the current reporting forms for the 2025 HMP plan have been filled out.

ENGINEERS REPORT –

Mike Moore stated he does recommend payment #1-2024 to Tim Fouse Excavating in the amount of \$138,700 for the work on Lower Drennen Road. Moore stated that about 4% retainer is being withheld for some additional seeding and asphalt seaming.

Moore stated bids for the Lincoln Beach Cross Drain and the 1 ½ wearing course for Hartge Road will be held on Thursday, August 29, 2024, at 11:00 am.

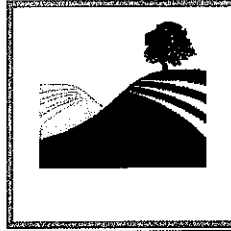
Dan Myers, 200 Barnview Drive asked about the project on Turkey Ridge Road where the surveying work was done. Moore stated the township is still waiting on a right of way for the rain garden.

Chester Lockwood, 4125 – 7th Street Road, stated that the corner of 7th Street and Lower Drennen Road is dipping going down the road. Lockwood stated not enough stone and asphalt are in there the big trucks are still running it over. Moore stated he will contact Penn Dot again.

PLANNING COMMISSION –

Edgar Lot Line Revision – 135 Edgar Lane

Stanley Graff, surveyor presented a plan for a Lot Line Revision of 4 existing parcels into 2 parcels along Edgar Lane adjacent to Guyer road for harry and Bonnie Edgar. After reviewing the plan, the Commission members indicated that there were no road names shown on the site map. Also, no seals for township and county approval stamps were shown. Mr. Graff said they would be added. The Commission had no negative comments on the lot line revisions and George Richard moved to approve the plan contingent on the above-mentioned changes being made, seconded by Rick Ryan and all were in favor.



Edgar Lot Line Revision – Merwin Road Property

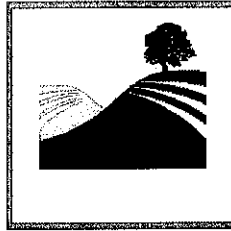
Stanley Graff, surveyor presented a plan for Lot Line Revisions for 3 existing parcels along Merwin Road for Harry and Bonnie Edgar. After reviewing the plan, the Commission members indicated that Drennen Road should be “Lower” Drennen Road on the site map. Also, no seals for township and county approval stamps were shown. Mr. Graff said they would be added. The Commission had no negative comments on the lot line revisions and Dennis Matto moved to approve the plan contingent on the above-mentioned plan changes being made, seconded by George Richard and all were in favor.

ZONING HEARING BOARD –

SOLICITORS REPORT – None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Conley to approve the Edgar Lot Line Revision – 135 Edgar Lane as per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- B. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Slahtovsky to approve the Edgar Lot Line Revision – Merwin Road Property as per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- C. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Conley to open bids on Thursday, August 29, at 11:00 a.m. for the Lincoln Boulevard Cross Drain Replacement Project. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- D. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Slahtovsky to open bids on August 29 for Hartge Road 1-1/2” Thick 9.5mm WMA Wearing Course Overlay. Motion passed 3 – 0.
- E. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Conley to pay Tim Fouse Excavating, LLC for Contract #24-5, Lower Drennen Road Drainage Improvements Payment #1 in the amount of \$138,700 as per the recommendation of Bankson Engineers. 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 July 2024. Motion passed 3 – 0.



OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Milton Pitts, Arnold, PA, asked the board if they could hold on to the deed for the Lincoln Beach Park area for a few months. Pitts stated he needs additional time to get some legal work done. Solicitor Yakopec stated that the property was paid for and will deal with the paperwork. Pitts also stated that you cannot get up Davis Road. Conley stated he will look at it tomorrow. Chief Pate stated he believes this is in the area where the tin whistle pipe is located.

Dan Myers, 200 Barnview Drive asked if lines will be painted back on Merwin Road. Conley stated no, PennDot stated that Merwin Road is not a high enough traveled road.

Dan Hosac, 1301 Menk Road, asked about the remediation work after a logging project is completed. Mike Moore stated follow-up should be with Scott Chermak and the contractor should follow the E & S plan that was submitted. Hosac stated that around Pleasant Valley and Menk Road it won't be long until the hillside comes down. Conley stated the contractor is supposed to come back and fix it and Conley recommend not releasing the bond until the work is completed. Hosac asked who is responsible for the pile of logs that are there. Moore replied the homeowner. Hosac stated they need to put some hay down. Conley stated that the owner of the company was not happy with the way the workers left the site.

John Lanham, 3849 Baxter Drive, asked about the proper way of getting a lot line revision done. It was explained to him what was needed.

Dan Hosac, 1301 Menk Road, asked about the outcome of the hearing that took place at the Magistrates office for the Oak Lake Road property. Magistrate Yakopec stated the owner had been found guilty and fined \$100.00 and given an additional 30 days to get the process started to move to the Industrial site. Solicitor Yakopec stated that back in 1997 a resident had been fined up to \$40,000 for failure to clean up her property. Chief Pate stated he still receives monthly payments.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Walker second by Conley to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Melissa A. Cortilesio,

Note*** Next monthly meeting, will be held on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m.