



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
UPPER BURRELL SUPERVISORS
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025
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 8:00 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: The following members of the 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. Cortileso, 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 Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, October 1, 2025. Motion passed 3-0.

Motion made by Walker, seconded by Slahtovsky to approve the minutes of the Budget Meeting held on Friday, October 24, 2025. Motion passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE -

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

ROAD REPORT -

Supervisor Slahtovsky reported most of the time was spent cleaning culverts and ditches, 4 cross drains were installed at the bottom of Menk Road, getting trucks ready for snow removal. Slahtovsky stated the bridge on Bethesda Drive is now open and they did a really good job. During the construction of the bridge the trucks had to use an alternate route and there was some damage to Michael Drive and Guyer Road, EQT will be making the repairs and will be paving in the spring.

POLICE REPORT – Chief Pate reported there were 77 calls for service for the month of September. Chief Pate stated the department will be starting their yearly MOPEC training, some classes will be virtual



and some will be in person classes. Chief Pate stated the department did partake in a few DUI checkpoint roving patrols and the funds for this are all reimbursed. Joyce Ewing asked how often the department does the DUI checkpoint patrols. Chief Pate responded 5 or 6 a year.

EMC REPORT –

Dave Knox reported that the County has been working on a contingency plan for food sources. The Respironics/Phillips plan for Upper Burrell has been updated. There are 4 locations with around 366 employees, and he is not certain will happen with the reduction of employees at the beginning of the year.

ENGINEERS REPORT – None

PLANNING COMMISSION – None

ZONING HEARING BOARD – None

SOLICITORS REPORT – None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Conley to authorize the advertisement of the 2026 General Fund and that the budget is available for inspection.
Motion passed 3-0.
- B. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Slahtovsky to donate the 2014 Ford Explorer to the Upper Burrell Township Volunteer Fire Department.
Motion passed 3-0.
- C. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Conley to put the 2011 Ford Crown Victoria out to bid. Motion passed 3-0.
- D. A motion was made by Walker seconded by Slahtovsky to purchase a 2026 Dodge Durango from Jim Shorkey thru Co-Stars contract in the amount of \$46,332.00.
Motion passed 3-0.
- E. A motion was made by Conley seconded by Walker to pay and ratify all the bills and accept the financial report for the month of October 2025. Motion passed 3-0.



11 Pay all Bills & Financial Report

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 1,178,275.34
Receipts	54,516.42
Expenditures	122,946.38
Closing Balance	\$ 1,109,845.38

FIRE HYDRANT TAX

Beginning Balance	\$ 4,162.36
Receipts	.69
Expenditures	1,560.00
Closing Balance	\$ 2,603.05

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 615,267.60
Receipts	42,533.14
Expenditures	46,332.00
Closing Balance	\$ 611,468.74

STATE AID FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 272,576.47
Receipts	458.82
Expenditures	0
Closing Balance	\$ 273,035.29

Open to the Floor

Joyce Ewing, 201 Stoney Hill Road, asked about the status of the old golf course property on Oak Lake Road. Supervisor Walker replied the extension has been granted until the end of November. Supervisor Conley stated he spoke with Mr. Schoepke about 3 weeks ago and believes that Schoepke and Alcoa are close to having a deal. Ewing also asked about the status of the community meeting that was supposed to be held with TecFusion. Walker stated they are reaching out to their staff to get some dates.

George Richard, 350 Hunter Hill Road, asked if it was investigated as to why the school bus will not travel down Lower Drennen Road. Conley stated he did not understand why the bus could not go down to Hunter Hill Road and turn around. Conley stated the issue is between the bus garage and the township. Conley stated there are also roads in other communities that buses do not travel. Chief Pate stated that bus drivers come and go and the current bus drive may not want to drive down Lower Drennen Road and next year if there is a new driver that may not have any issue driving down the road. Conley stated the township has applied DGLVR grant and hopefully if granted that will alleviate some water issues on the road. Richard asked how often the new piece of equipment is used. Slahtovsky stated is has been used at least 6 cross drains have been installed.

Chester Lockwood, 7th Street Road, stated could an option be given to park at the fire hall parking lot to pick up the children.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Walker seconded by Conley at 7:19 p.m.

The next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, beginning at 7:00 p.m.