



TOWNSHIP OF UPPER UWCHLAN
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING,
June 17, 2019
7:00 p.m.
Approved

LOCATION: Temporary Township Administration Office
415 Eagleview Boulevard, Suite 116
Exton, PA 19341

In Attendance:

Board of Supervisors

Guy A. Donatelli, Chair
Sandra M. D'Amico, Vice-Chair
Jamie W. Goncharoff, Member

Tom Oeste, Esquire

Township Administration

Cary B. Vargo, Township Manager
Shanna Lodge, Assistant Township Manager
Gwen A. Jonik, Township Secretary
Jill Bukata, Township Treasurer
John DeMarco, Police Chief
Al Gaspari, Codes Administrator
Mike Heckman, Director of Public Works
Dave Leh, P.E., Gilmore & Associates

Helen Esbenshade, Esq. Lamb McErlane
Lou Verdelli, RBC Capital Markets

Mr. Donatelli called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance, offered a moment of silence and asked if any attendees were recording the meeting. There were no responses.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico, to approve as presented the minutes of the May 14, 2019 Board of Supervisors Workshop. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico, to approve with a revision the minutes of the May 20, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting and Conditional Use Hearing. The revision is to include text that the Court Reporter's transcript is the formal, legal Record of the Hearing. The Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Payments

Mrs. D'Amico moved, seconded by Mr. Goncharoff, to approve the payments to all vendors as listed June 13, 2019. The Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jill Bukata reported the Balance Sheet remains strong. Year to date revenues are at 55.5% of the budget; year to date expenses are at 37.0% of the budget; earned income tax is \$210,000 ahead of this time last year.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Donatelli announced the Board's desire to publicly recognize Libby Egnaczyk for her many years of dedication and commitment with "Communities that Care". Unfortunately, Mrs. Egnaczyk wasn't able to attend this evening.

Mr. Donatelli introduced Bob Davidson, candidate for the Planning Commission vacancy. Four (4) residents were interested in the filling the vacancy and following interviews with each candidate, Mr. Davidson was recommended for appointment. The Board met with Mr. Davidson earlier this evening. Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico, to appoint Bob Davidson to the Planning Commission, for a term expiring December 31, 2022. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Donatelli announced an Executive Session was held June 17, 2019 regarding personnel. He read the following calendar: July 4, 2019 Township Office closed – Independence Day; July 9, 2019 4:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors Workshop; July 15, 2019 7:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors Meeting, Amended PRD Plan Hearing for Vantage Point Retirement Living; yard waste collection dates – June 19, June 26, July 10, July 24, 2019.

The Board commended all staff – Administration, Public Works, the Police Departments and special thanks to Kathi McGrath for Saturday's 2019 Block Party on Route 100, saying it was the best one yet!

Administration Reports

Township Engineer's Report

Dave Leh reported that a land development plan for a 27-space parking expansion was received for Eagleview Lot 4 and Windsor Baptist Church submitted revised land development plans and a conditional use application for their proposed 9,000+ SF school building addition.

Building and Codes Department Report

Al Gaspari reported that 50 building permits were issued last month, totaling \$40,215 in permit fees; the Vail's conditional use application was approved; John Shelton submitted plans for 5 units in the mansion at the former Upattinas property; and the department is busy inspecting new construction, lots of additions and decks. Mr. Goncharoff inquired of Township Building renovation progress. Mr. Gaspari advised that site work will begin soon.

Police Chief's Report

Chief DeMarco reported that 1,110 incidents were logged last month, including 112 traffic warnings. There were no issues at the Block Party Saturday night. Junior Police Academy starts tomorrow; there will be Water Ice Tours (12) over the summer – see the Department's Facebook page for dates/places. The Board noted the Police Department's presence at the Block Party and how well the community responds to the Officers.

Public Works Department Report

Mike Heckman reported that 175 work orders were received and completed last month; the Department poured concrete sidewalks at 520 Milford Road (temporary Police Office) for ADA compliance; noise suppressors were installed at the Eaglepointe WWTF; and a 200 SF concrete floor was poured in the new Public Works pole barn. The Board thanked the Department for all of their assistance at the Block Party and for the additional cleanup work done Sunday, Father's Day.

ADMINISTRATION

Authorize Filing of a Petition to Intervene – PA Public Utility Commission. Mr. Donatelli summarized the Petition, that the Board decided to intervene in a Sunoco Mariner East 1 pipeline case, to become a Party to the Proceedings in the case, as the Sunoco pipelines that pass through Upper Uwchlan Township affect the safety of the residents. Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico, to file or ratify the filing of the Township's Petition, supporting investigation into pipeline safety within Upper Uwchlan and the surrounding area. The Motion carried unanimously.

2014 General Obligation Bonds - Authorize Re-Financing. Mr. Donatelli abstained from discussion and voting on this matter as his Firm is involved in the process. Lou Verdelli of RBC Capital Markets explained that the 2014 General Obligation Bonds were issued for public sewer projects at @ 4% interest rate, with a call date is December 2019. Interest rates are lower and a \$400,000 savings could be realized by re-financing before the call date. The Bonds could be priced late July/early August, securing a better interest rate, the Bonds would close in September. The Municipal Authority has discussed and agrees with re-financing too. Helen Esbenschade summarized the Parameters Ordinance, which authorizes the incurrence of non-electoral debt of \$7,715,000 to re-finance the 2014 Bonds, contains a covenant that the Township will pay the debt and that RBC will sell the Bonds for us. Also, if rates fluctuate adversely before the closing and the savings are less than \$100,000, the process will be halted.

Mrs. D'Amico moved, seconded by Mr. Goncharoff, to adopt Ordinance #2019-03, authorizing the incurrence of nonelectoral debt and approve the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Motion carried with 2 in favor and 1 abstention (Donatelli).

Mrs. D'Amico moved, seconded by Mr. Goncharoff, to appoint Fulton Bank National Association as the Paying Agent and designate \$100,000 as the minimum savings threshold to proceed with the re-financing. The Motion carried with 2 in favor and 1 abstention (Donatelli).

Ms. Esbenschade requested a roll call of the Votes: Mrs. D'Amico voted yes to both Motions, Mr. Goncharoff voted yes to both Motions and Mr. Donatelli abstained from voting on both Motions.

Authorize Purchase of Emergency Generator. A natural-gas powered emergency generator has been researched and proposed for installation at the renovated Township Building. The generator will fully support all operations within the building during power outages. Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico to purchase a 60Hz-150kW, natural gas-powered generator as quoted by Cummins Sales and Service – East Region at \$43,975. The Motion carried unanimously. The existing emergency generator will be traded in or sold as it isn't feasible to use it at the wastewater treatment plant or at Public Works due to the electrical services at those locations.

Authorize Submission of an Automated Red-Light Enforcement (ARLE) Grant Application. Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico, to adopt Resolution # 06-17-19-08, authorizing submission of an ARLE Grant requesting \$187,335 – to improve the traffic signals and pedestrian access/safety equipment at the 11 signalized intersections within Upper Uwchlan Township -- committing to matching funds up to 20% of the Application total (\$38,950), and authorizing the Township Manager or Board Chair to sign the Application documents. The Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance prohibiting smoking in Township parks and recreation areas. The Board of Supervisors wishes to promote healthy lifestyles and is considering an Ordinance amendment that would prohibit smoking in Township parks and recreation areas. Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico, to adopt Ordinance #2019-04, which amends Township Codes Chapter 127-2.D. to add a prohibition of smoking or use of tobacco products in Township parks, recreation facilities or trails. The Motion carried unanimously.

2019 Milling and Paving Contrac. Mike Heckman reported that 7 bids were received for road milling and paving services. The low bidder was Glasgow Inc. at \$7.00/square yard for milling and \$71.25/ton for paving. Mr. Heckman recommends awarding the 2019 Milling-Paving Contract to Glasgow Inc. for a total \$414,364.50. This is less than budgeted so a few roads may be added to the list. Mr. Goncharoff moved, seconded by Mrs. D'Amico, to award the 2019 Milling-Paving Contract as recommended. The Motion carried unanimously.

Open Session

There were no comments offered.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Mr. Donatelli adjourned the Meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen A. Jonik
Township Secretary